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The Cover: The Lincoln County Courthouse in Lincolnton, North Carolina was completed in 1923. The rectangular structure is of finely dressed stone with three-story, flat-roofed wings flanking a taller central block with a gabled roof. Matching pedimented Doric porticoes on the front and rear of the center section, a Doric frieze along the sides, and antefixes decorating the corners and roof ridge give the building its distinctive Greek character. Lincolnton was established as the county seat of Lincoln County in 1785.

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JUSTICE BUILDING
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

The Honorable James G. Exum, Jr., Chief Justice
The Supreme Court of North Carolina
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Chief Justice:

In accord with Section 7A-343 of the North Carolina General Statutes, I herewith transmit the Twenty-second Annual Report of the Administrative Office of the Courts, relating to the fiscal year, July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988.

Fiscal year 1987-88 marks the fourth consecutive year with significant increases in filings and dispositions in both the Superior and District Courts. During 1987-88, as compared to 1986-87, total case filings increased by 6.9% in Superior Court and by 8.1% in District Court; dispositions increased by 4.7% in Superior Court and by 9.0% in District Court. Because total filings were greater than total dispositions, more cases were pending at the end of the fiscal year than were pending at the beginning.

Appreciation is expressed to the many persons who participated in the data reporting, compilation, and writing required to produce this annual report. Within the Administrative Office of the Courts, principal responsibilities were shared by the Research and Planning Division and the Information Services Division. The principal burden of reporting the great mass of trial court data rested upon the offices of the clerks of superior court located in each of the one hundred counties of the State. The Clerk of the Supreme Court and the Clerk of the Court of Appeals provided the case data relating to our appellate courts.

Without the responsible work of many persons across the State this report would not have been possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Franklin Freeman, Jr.

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Director

May 1989

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PART I

THE 1987-1988 JUDICIAL YEAR IN REVIEW

THE 1987-88 JUDICIAL YEAR IN REVIEW

This *Annual Report* on the work of North Carolina's Judicial Department is for the fiscal year which began July 1, 1987 and ended June 30, 1988.

The Workload of the Courts

Case filings in the Supreme Court totaled 145 compared with 196 filed during 1986-87. A total of 635 petitions were filed in the Supreme Court, compared with 674 in 1986-87; and 67 petitions were allowed, compared with 99 in 1986-87.

For the Court of Appeals for 1987-88, case filings were 1,351 compared with 1,288 for the 1986-87 year. Petitions filed in 1987-88 totaled 446, compared with 458 during the 1986-87 year.

More detailed data on the appellate courts is included in Part II of this *Annual Report*.

In the superior courts, case filings (civil and criminal) increased by 6.9% to a total of 105,704 in 1987-88, compared with 99,886 cases in 1986-87. Superior court case dispositions also increased, to a total of 100,808, compared with 96,308 in 1986-87. As case filings during the year exceeded case dispositions, the total number of cases pending at the end of the year increased by 4,896.

Not including juvenile proceedings and mental hospital commitment hearings, the statewide total of district court filings (civil and criminal) during 1987-88 was 2,004,447, an increase of 135,462 (7.2%) from 1986-87 filings of 1,868,985 cases. During 1987-88, a total of 608,845 infraction cases were filed along with a total of 419,407 criminal motor vehicle cases, for a combined total of 1,028,252 cases. This combined total is an increase of 52,764 cases (5.4%) above the 975,488 cases filed during 1986-87. During 1987-88, filings of criminal non-motor vehicle cases in the district courts increased by 46,579 (9.9%) to 514,710, compared with 468,131 during 1986-87. Filings of civil magistrate cases in the district courts increased by 29,881 (12.1%), to 277,336 during 1987-88 compared with 247,455 during 1986-87.

Operations of the superior and district courts are summarized in Part II of this Report, and detailed information on the caseloads in the 100 counties and 34 judicial districts is presented in Part IV.

1988 Legislative Highlights

Judicial, Prosecutorial, and Public Defender Districts

Chapters 1037 and 1056 of the 1987 Session Laws (1988 Session) make numerous conforming amendments to the General Statutes, in light of the 1987 legislation on superior court redistricting.

As a result of superior court redistricting, geographic "districts" for the various components of the Judicial Department are no longer necessarily coterminous. References in the General Statutes to a "judicial district" are replaced by references to the "superior court district," "district court district," "prosecutorial district," and/or "public defender district" to which the particular statute applies.

Chapter 1056 divides present Judicial Districts 12 and 16 into new Districts 12, 16A, and 16B for the prosecutorial, district court, and public defender districts. As a result, these districts are coterminous with the corresponding whole-country districts (or "sets of districts") established in 1987 for the superior court division. The legislation allocates existing personnel among these three new districts; creates an additional district court judgeship effective July 1, 1989, allocated to district court District 16A; and effective January 1, 1989, establishes a district attorney's office for a new prosecutorial District 16A and establishes two new public defender offices, for public defender Districts 16A and 16B. In addition, effective January 1, 1989, the public defender office presently serving Pitt and Carteret Counties in Judicial District 3 is divided into two offices, for public defender districts 3A (Pitt) and 3B (Carteret).

Chapter 1037 clarifies certain provisions of the 1987 redistricting legislation. New section G.S. 7A-41.1 (Chapter 1037, Section 2) specifies that there shall be one and only one senior resident superior court judge for each superior court "district" *or* "set of [superior court] districts." A "set of districts" is defined to mean, in essence, a group of districts that individually do not comprise an entire county, but collectively are necessary to comprise the entire county. A superior court "district" is a district that does comprise one or more entire counties. Amendments to G.S. 7A-47.3 (in Chapter 1037, Section 9) specify that all sessions of superior court are for the entire county, regardless of how many superior court districts there may be for the county; and that superior court judges may be assigned under the rotation system to hold the courts of either one "district" or one "set of districts."

Sessions of Superior Court Outside County Seat

Chapter 1037, Section 2.1, amending G.S. 7A-42 effective January 1, 1989, authorizes the senior resident superior court judge of a county to order sessions of superior court at any location outside the county seat when exigent circumstances exist. The additional sessions must be approved by the Chief Justice, and an order may issue only after approval of the location and facilities by the Administrative Office of the Courts, and after consultation with the Clerk and county officials. (Present provisions of G.S. 7A-42, relating to sessions of Superior Court outside the county seat in cities with a population of 35,000 or more, remain unchanged.)

Additional Seat of District Court

Effective July 1, 1989, Chapter 1075 authorizes an additional seat of district court for district court District 3, in Havelock (Craven County).

Juvenile Code/Guardian *ad Litem* Revisions

Chapter 1090 amends several sections of the Juvenile Coide, with the overall aim of imposing stricter standards on removal of juveniles from the home and improving protection of juveniles' rights. Effective June 1, 1989, the services of the Guardian *ad Litem* Office within AOC are extended to include appointment of a guardian *ad litem*, in the discretion of the judge, in dependency cases. Effective immediately, the clerk's duties with regard to the summons in juvenile cases are amended to specify that the summons shall issue *immediately* after a petition is filed, and tht the summons is to be delivered to any person authorized to serve process (rather than to a law enforcement officer in all cases). Also effective immediately, specific findings are required before dispositional or other orders may remove a juvenile from the home.

DWI, Commercial Vehicles

Chapter 1112 creates a new misdemeanor offense, driving while impaired in a commercial vehicle. A blood alcohol content of 0.04 or more is sufficient to constitute this offense (compared to a blook alcohol content of 0.10 or more driving while impired in other than a commercial vehicle). The statutes for automatic, immediate ten-day civil license revocation are also amended, to extend to driving in a commercial vehicle with a blood alcohol content of 0.04 or more. (Chapter 1112 is effective June 1, 1989, and will expire June 30, 1989, in the absence of action by the 1989 Session of the General Assembly.)

Investigative Grand Juries

Chapter 1040 extends the authorization for investigative grand juries in drug trafficking cases to July 1, 1991. The authorization for these special grand juries would otherwise have expired October 1, 1988. In addition, an amendment to G.S. 15A-622(h), effective October 1, 1988, requires the concurrence of a committee of at least three members of the Conference oif District Attorneys (in addition to concurrence of the Attorneys General), before a district attorney may request the convening of an investigative grand jury.

Indigent Persons' Attorney Fee Fund

For fiscal 1988-89, the General Assembly directed AOC to allot portions of the funds in the Indigent Persons' Attorney Fee Fund (approximately $13 million) to each county, or to each district where superior and district court districts are coterminous (Chapter 1086, Section 113, effective July 1, 1988). The allotment for each county or district is to be in proportion to the numbers of indigent persons in each county or district who were not represented by a public defender during 1987-88.

Determination of an Indigent's Attorney's Fee

Chapter 1086, Section 113, amends G.S. 7A-458 to specify that the fee of an attorney who represents an indigent person is to be fixed by the judge who heard the case, and deletes "the fee usually charged in similar cases" from the factors the judge should consider when determining the fee. The General Assembly requested AOC to establish a schedule for paying the fees of attorneys representing indigents on a per case basis, and report to the 1989 Session of the General Assembly.

Death Penalty Resource Center

For fiscal 1988-89, the Death Penalty Resource Center will be funded by AOC from the Indigent Persons' Attorney Fee Fund, to a maximum of $191,505 (Chapter 1086, Section 109). The Center is a four-position section of the Appellate Defender's Office, previously funded from private sources.

Salaries, Longevity Pay, and Other Items

Funds were appropriated by the 1988 Session for a 4.5% pay raise for all officials and employees of the Judicial Department.

The travel allowance for superior court judges under G.S. 7A-44(a) was increased, effective January 1, 1989, from $6,500 to $7,000 annually (Chapter 1086, Section 30).

Effective July 1, 1988, the pay for emergency justices and judges is increased from $100 to $150 per day (Chapter 1086, Section 31).

Longevity pay was authorized for the Director of AOC at the rate of longevity pay for superior court judges, and longevity pay was authorized for the Assistant Director of AOC at the rate of longevity pay for district court judges (Chapter 1100, Section 15).

Longevity pay and salaries were increased for some clerks of superior court (Chapter 1100, Sections 16 and 17). The definition of "service" that is used to calculate a clerk's longevity pay was expanded to include "service" as an assistant clerk or as a superivsor of clerks within the AOC. In addition, the salaries of some clerks were raised by amending the population categories set forth in G.S. 7A-101(a), upon which clerks' salaries are based. As a result, clerks in counties with population of 30,000 to 49,999 will be paid at a higher pay-category.

No funding for merit increases was provided. However, Chapter 1086, Section 27, creates a 16-member Legislative Study Commission on a System of Merit Pay for State Employees. The Commission is directed to report to the 1989 Session of the General Assembly.

Employee Benefits

Retirement Benefits: Chapter 1110 increases the retirement benefits of state employees, by raising the accrual rate (in G.S. 128-27) for calculating retirement benefits from 1.58% to 1.60%; and allows accumulated sick leave to be included in the amount of "creditable service" earned for retirement or early retirement. Chapter 1103, amending G.S. 135-4, allows state employees to purchase service credit toward retirement for extended perids of leave without pay due to illness or injury.

Death Benefits: Chapter 1108 increases the death benefits payable for state employees. Death benefits remain based on one year's salary, but the General

Assembly established a minimum benefit of $25,000 regardless of salary, and raised the maximum benefit from $20,000 to $50,000. In addition, death benefits are now payable regardless of an employee's age; previously, the benefit was payable only if an employee died prior to age 70.

New Positions

The 1987 Session of the General Assembly appropriated funds for the following new positions effective during fiscal 1988-89: eleven new district court judgeships, one each for Districts 3, 5, 7 10, 11, 16, 18, 19B, 21, 25, and 26, to be filled in the 1988 general election; one superior court judgeship for new District 16B, to be filled in the 1988 general election; five new assistant district attorneys, one each for districts 3A, 17A, 19A, 19B, and 21; three secretaries and ten victim-witness assistant positions for district attorney offices; five new magistrate positions to be allocated in accordance with G.S. 7A-171(c); 14 positions in the juvenile court counselor program; ten secretarial positions for the ten new senior resident superior court judgeships created effective January 1, 1989; one court reporter; one deputy clerk; and two secretaries in public defender offices.

The 1988 Session of the General Assembly appropriated or authorized the use of funds for the following additional positions: a second regular superior court judgeship for District 16B, to be appointed by the Governor; two new fully staffed public defender offices for new public defender districts 16A and 16B; a new district attorney's office effective January 1, 1989, for Prosecutorial District 16A, with the district attorney position to be filled in the 1988 general election; an additional district court judgeship for District 16A, effective July 1, 1989, to be filled pursuant to G.S. 7A-142; ten new deputy clerk positions, funded from existing funds, rather than any new appropriation; and four existing positions within the Appellate Defender's Office, previously funded by private sources, to be funded from the Indigent Persons' Attorney Fee Fund in 1988-89.

Total Appropriations

The 1988 Session of the General Assembly appropriated a total of $177,774,981 to the Judicial Department for the 1988-89 fiscal year.

PART II

COURT SYSTEM ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

- Historical Development of Court System
- Present Court System
- Organization and Operations in 1987-88

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA COURT SYSTEM

From its early colonial period North Carolina's judicial system has been the focus of periodic attention and adjustment. Through the years, there has been a repeated sequence of critical examination, proposals for reform, and finally the enactment of some reform measures.

Colonial Period

Around 1700 the royal governor established a General (or Supreme) Court for the colony and a dispute developed over the appointment of associate justices. The Assembly conceded to the King the right to name the chief justice but unsuccessfully tried to win for itself the power to appoint the associate justices. Other controversies developed concerning the creation and jurisdiction of the courts and the tenure of judges. As for the latter, the Assembly's position was that judge appointments should be for good behavior as against the royal governor's decision for life appointment. State historians have noted that "the Assembly won its fight to establish courts and the judicial structure in the province was grounded on laws enacted by the legislature," which was more familiar with local conditions and needs (Lefler and Newsome, 142). Nevertheless, North Carolina alternated between periods under legislatively enacted reforms (like good behavior tenure and the Court Bill of 1746, which contained the seeds of the post-Revolutionary court system) and periods of stalemate and anarchy after such enactments were nullified by royal authority. A more elaborate system was framed by legislation in 1767 to last five years. It was not renewed because of persisting disagreement between local and royal partisans. As a result, North Carolina was without higher courts until after Independence (Battle, 847).

At the lower court level during the colonial period, judicial and county government administrative functions were combined in the authority of the justices of the peace, who were appointed by the royal governor.

After the Revolution

When North Carolina became a state in 1776, the colonial structure of the court system was retained largely intact. The Courts of Pleas and Quarter Sessions — the county court which continued in use from about 1670 to 1868 — were still held by the assembled justices of the peace in each county. The justices were appointed by the governor on the recommendation of the General Assembly, and they were paid out of fees charged litigants. On the lowest level of the judicial system, magistrate courts of limited jurisdiction were held by justices of the peace, singly or in pairs, while the county court was out of term.

The new Constitution of 1776 empowered the General Assembly to appoint judges of the Supreme Court of Law and Equity. A court law enacted a year later authorized three superior court judges and created judicial districts. Sessions were supposed to be held in the court towns of each district twice a year, under a system much like the one that had expired in 1772. Just as there had been little distinction in terminology between General Court and Supreme Court prior to the Revolution, the terms Supreme Court and Superior Court were also interchangeable during the period immediately following the Revolution.

One of the most vexing governmental problems confronting the new State of North Carolina was its judiciary. "From its inception in 1777 the state's judiciary caused complaint and demands for reform." (Lefler and Newsome, 291, 292). Infrequency of sessions, conflicting judge opinions, and insufficient number of judges, and lack of means for appeal were all cited as problems, although the greatest weakness was considered to be the lack of a real Supreme Court.

In 1779, the legislature required the Superior Court judges to meet together in Raleigh as a Court of Conference to resolve cases which were disagreed on in the districts. This court was continued and made permanent by subsequent laws. The justices were required to put their opinions in writing to be delivered orally in court. The Court of Conference was changed in name to the Supreme Court in 1805 and authorized to hear appeals in 1810. Because of the influence of the English legal system, however, there was still no conception of an alternative to judges sitting together to hear appeals from cases which they had themselves heard in the districts in panels of as few as two judges (Battle, 848). In 1818, though, an independent three-judge Supreme Court was created for review of cases decided at the Superior Court level.

Meanwhile, semi-annual superior court sessions in each county were made mandatory in 1806, and the State was divided into six circuits, or ridings, where the six judges were to sit in rotation, two judges constituting a quorum as before.

The County Court of justices of the peace continued during this period as the lowest court and as the agency of local government.

After the Civil War

Major changes to modernize the judiciary and make it more democratic were made in 1868. A primary holdover from the English legal arrangement — the distinction between law and equity proceedings — was abolished. The County Court's control of local government was abolished. Capital offenses were limited to murder, arson, burglary and rape, and the Constitution stated that the aim of punishment was "not only to satisfy justice, but also to reform the offender, and thus prevent crime". The membership of the Supreme Court was raised to five, and the selection of the justices (including the designation of the chief justice) and superior court judges (raised in number to 12) was taken from the legislature and given to the voters, although vacancies were to be filled by the governor until the next election. The Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions — The County Court of which three justices of the peace constituted a quorum — was eliminated. Its judicial responsibilities were divided between the Superior Courts and the individual justices of the peace, who were retained as separate judicial officers with limited jurisdiction.

HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA COURT SYSTEM

Conservatively oriented amendments to the 1868 Constitution in 1875 reduced the number of Supreme Court justices to three and the Superior Court judges to nine. The General Assembly was given the power to appoint justices of the peace, instead of the governor. Most of the modernizing changes in the post-Civil War Constitution, however, were left, and the judicial structure it had established continued without systematic modification through more than half of the 20th century. (A further constitutional amendment approved by the voters in November, 1888, returned the Supreme Court membership to five, and the number of superior court judges to twelve.)

Before Reorganization

A multitude of legislative enactments to meet rising demands and to respond to changing needs had heavily encumbered the 1868 judicial structure by the time systematic court reforms were proposed in the 1950's. This accrual of piecemeal change and addition to the court system was most evident at the lower, local court level, where hundreds of courts specially created by statute operated with widely dissimilar structure and jurisdiction.

By 1965, when the implementation of the most recent major reforms was begun, the court system in North Carolina consisted of four levels: (a) the Supreme Court, with appellate jurisdiction; (b) the superior court, with general trial jurisdiction; (c) the local statutory courts of limited jurisdiction, and (d) justices of the peace and mayor's courts, with petty jurisdiction.

At the superior court level, the State had been divided into 30 judicial districts and 21 solicitorial districts. The 38 superior court judges (who rotated among the counties) and the district solicitors were paid by the State. The clerk of superior court, who was judge of probate and often also a juvenile judge, was a county official. There were specialized branches of superior court in some counties for matters like domestic relations and juvenile offenses.

The lower two levels were local courts. At the higher of these local court levels were more than 180 recorder-type courts. Among these were the county recorder's courts, municipal recorder's courts and township recorder's courts; the general county courts, county criminal courts and special county courts; the domestic relations courts and the juvenile courts. Some of these had been established individually by special legislative acts more than a half-century earlier. Others had been created by general law across the State since 1919. About half were county courts and half were city or township courts. Jurisdiction included misdemeanors (mostly traffic offenses), preliminary hearings and sometimes civil matters. The judges, who were usually part-time, were variously elected or appointed locally.

At the lowest level were about 90 mayor's courts and some 925 justices of the peace. These officers had similar criminal jurisdiction over minor cases with penalties up to a $50 fine or 30 days in jail. The justices of the peace also had civil jurisdiction of minor cases. These court officials were compensated by the fees they exacted, and they provided their own facilities.

Court Reorganization

The need for a comprehensive evaluation and revision of the court system received the attention and support of Governor Luther H. Hodges in 1957, who encouraged the leadership of the North Carolina Bar Association to pursue the matter. A Court Study Committee was established as an agency of the North Carolina Bar Association, and that Committee issued its report, calling for reorganization, at the end of 1958. A legislative Constitutional Commission, which worked with the Court Study Committee, finished its report early the next year. Both groups called for the structuring of an all-inclusive court system which would be directly state-operated, uniform in its organization throughout the State and centralized in its administration. The plan was for a simplified, streamlined and unified structure. A particularly important part of the proposal was the elimination of the local satutory courts and their replacement by a single District Court; the office of justice of the peace was to be abolished, and the newly fashioned position of magistrate would function within the District Court as a subordinate judicial office.

Constitutional amendments were introduced in the legislature in 1959 but these failed to gain the required three-fifths vote of each house. The proposals were reintroduced and approved at the 1961 session. The Constitutional amendments were approved by popular vote in 1962, and three years later the General Assembly enacted statutes to put the system into effect by stages. By the end of 1970 all of the counties and their courts had been incorporated into the new system, whose unitary nature was symbolized by the name, General Court of Justice. The designation of the entire 20th century judicial system as a single, statewide "court," with components for various types and levels of caseload, was adapted from North Carolina's earlier General Court, whose full venue extended to all of the 17th century counties.

After Reorganization

Notwithstanding the comprehensive reorganization adopted in 1962, the impetus for changes has continued. In 1965, the Constitution was amended to provide for the creation of an intermediate Court of Appeals. It was amended again in 1972 to allow for the Supreme Court to censure or remove judges upon the recommendation of a Judicial Standards Commission. As for the selection of judges, persistent efforts were made in the 1970's to obtain legislative approval of amendments to the State Constitution, to appoint judges according to "merit" instead of electing them by popular, partisan vote. The proposed amendments received the backing of a majority of the members of each house, but not the three-fifths required to submit constitutional amendments to a vote of the people. It seems likely that this significant issue will be before the General Assembly again for consideration.

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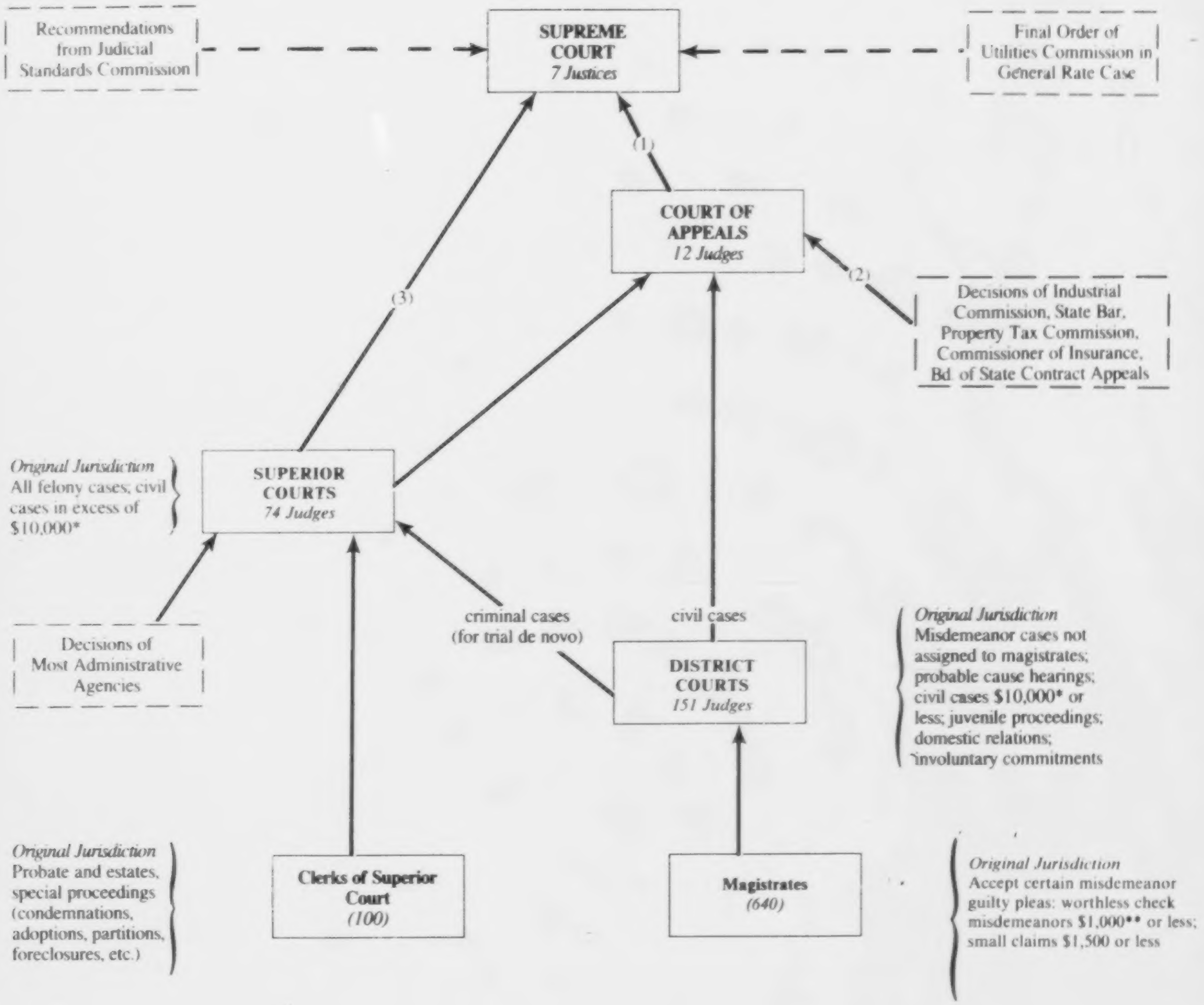
THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

Original Jurisdiction and Routes of Appeal


Recommendations from Judicial Standards Commission
SUPREME COURT
7 Justices
Final Order of Utilities Commission in General Rate Case
(1)
COURT OF APPEALS
12 Judges
(2)
Decisions of Industrial Commission, State Bar, Property Tax Commission, Commissioner of Insurance, Bd. of State Contract Appeals
(3)
Original Jurisdiction
All felony cases; civil cases in excess of $10,000*
SUPERIOR COURTS
74 Judges
criminal cases (for trial de novo)
civil cases
Decisions of Most Administrative Agencies
DISTRICT COURTS
151 Judges
Original Jurisdiction
Misdemeanor cases not assigned to magistrates; probable cause hearings; civil cases $10,000* or less; juvenile proceedings; domestic relations; involuntary commitments
Original Jurisdiction
Probate and estates, special proceedings (condemnations, adoptions, partitions, foreclosures, etc.)
Clerks of Superior Court
(100)
Magistrates
(640)
Original Jurisdiction
Accept certain misdemeanor guilty pleas: worthless check misdemeanors $1,000** or less; small claims $1,500 or less

(1) Appeals from the Court of Appeals to the Supreme Court are by right in Utilities Commission general rate cases, cases involving comstitutional questions, and cases in which there has been dissent in the Court of Appeals. In its discretion, the Supreme Court may review Court of Appeals decisions in cases of significant public interest or cases involving legal principles of major significance.

(2) Appeals from these agencies lie directly to the Court of Appeals.

(3) As a matter of right, appeals go directly to the Supreme Court in criminal cases in which the defendent has been sentenced to death or life imprisonment, and in civil cases involving the involuntary annexation of territory by a municipality of 5,000 or more population. In all other cases appeal as of right is to the Court of Appeals. In its discretion, the Supreme Court may hear appeals directly from the trial courts in cases where delay would cause substantial harm or the Court of Appeals docket is unusually full. (Under G.S. 7A-27, effective July 24, 1987, appeals in criminal cases as a matter of right are limited to first degree murder cases in which there is a sentence of death or life imprisonment.)

*The district and superior courts have concurrent original jurisdiction in civil actions (G.S. 7A-242). However, the district court division is the *proper* division for the trial of civil actions in which the amount in controversy is $10,000 or less; and the superior court division is the proper division for the trial of civil actions in which the amount in controversy exceeds $10,000 (G.S. 7A-243).

**Magistrate jurisdiction in worthless check cases increased from $500 to $1,000 effective October 1, 1987 (G.S. 7A-273).

THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

Article IV of the North Carolina Constitution establishes the General Court of Justice which "shall constitute a unified judicial system for purposes of jurisdiction, operation, and administration, and shall consist of an Appellate Division, a Superior Court Division, and a District Court Division."

The Appellate Division is comprised of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals.

The Superior Court Division is comprised of the superior courts which hold sessions in the county seats of the 100 counties of the State. The counties are grouped into judicial districts (34 at the present time), and one or more superior court judges are elected for each of the judicial districts. A clerk of the superior court for each county is elected by the voters of the county.

The District Court Division is comprised of the district courts. The General Assembly is authorized to divide the State into a convenient number of local court districts and prescribe where the district courts shall sit, but district court must sit in at least one place in each county. The General Assembly has provided that districts for purposes of the district court are coterminous with superior court judicial districts. The Constitution also provides for one or more magistrates to be appointed in each county "who shall be officers of the district court."

The State Constitution (Art. IV, Sec. 1) also contains the term, "judicial department," stating that "The General Assembly shall have no power to deprive the judicial department of any power or jurisdiction that rightfully pertains to it as a co-ordinate department of the government, nor shall it establish or authorize any courts other than as permitted by this Article." The terms, "General Court of Justice" and "Judicial Department" are almost, but not quite, synonymous. It may be said that the Judicial Department encompasses all of the levels of court designated as the General Court of Justice plus all administrative and ancillary services within the Judicial Department.

The original jurisdictions and routes of appeal between the several levels of court in North Carolina's system of courts are illustrated in the chart on the opposite page.

Criminal Cases

Trial of misdemeanor cases is within the original jurisdiction of the district courts. Some misdemeanor offenses are tried by magistrates, who are also empowered to accept pleas of guilty to certain offenses and impose fines in accordance with a schedule set by the Conference of Chief District Court Judges. Most trials of misdemeanors are by district court judges, who also hold preliminary, "probable cause" hearings in felony cases. Trial of felony cases is within the jurisdiction of the superior courts.

Decisions of magistrates may be appealed to the district court judge. In criminal cases there is no trial by jury available at the district court level; appeal from the district courts' judgments in criminal cases is to the superior courts for trial *de novo* before a jury. Except in life-imprisonment or death sentence cases (which are appealed to the Supreme Court), appeal from the superior courts is to the Court of Appeals.

Civil Cases

The 100 clerks of superior court are *ex officio* judges of probate and have original jurisdiction in probate and estates matters. The clerks also have jurisdiction over such special proceedings as adoptions, partitions, condemnations under the authority of eminent domain, and foreclosures. Rulings of the clerk may be appealed to the superior court.

The district courts have original jurisdiction in juvenile proceedings, domestic relations cases, petitions for involuntary commitment to a mental hospital, and are the "proper" courts for general civil cases where the amount in controversy is $10,000 or less. If the amount in controversy is $1,500 or less and the plaintiff in the case so requests, the chief district court judge may assign the case for initial hearing by a magistrate. Magistrates' decisions may be appealed to the district court. Trial by jury for civil cases is available in the district courts; appeal from the judgment of a district court in a civil case is to the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

The superior courts are the proper courts for trial of general civil cases where the amount in controversy is more than $10,000. Appeals from decisions of most administrative agencies are first within the jurisdiction of the superior courts. Appeal from the superior courts in civil cases is to the Court of Appeals.

Administration

The North Carolina Supreme Court has the "general power to supervise and control the proceedings of any of the other courts of the General Court of Justice." (G.S. 7A-32(b)).

In addition to this grant of general supervisory power, the North Carolina General Statutes provide certain Judicial Department officials with specific powers and responsibilities for the operation of the court system. The Supreme Court has the responsibility for prescribing rules of practice and procedures for the appellate courts and for prescribing rules for the trial courts to supplement those prescribed by statute. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court designates one of the judges of the Court of Appeals to be its Chief Judge, who in turn is responsible for scheduling the sessions of the Court of Appeals.

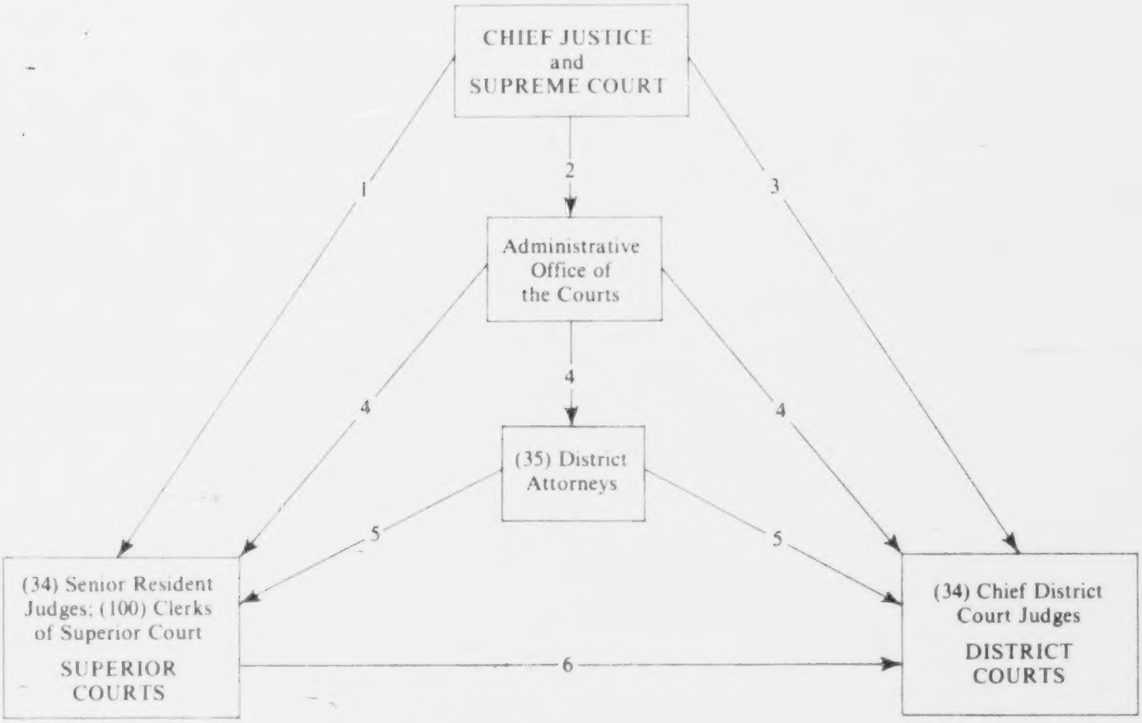
The chart on page 11 illustrates specific responsibilities for administration of the trial courts vested in Judicial Department officials by statute. The Chief Justice appoints the Director and an Assistant Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts; this Assistant Director also serves as the Chief Justice's administrative assistant. The schedule of sessions of superior court in the 100 counties is set by the Supreme Court; assignment of the State's rotating superior court judges is the responsibility of the Chief Justice. Finally, the Chief Justice designates a chief district court judge for each of the State's 34 judicial districts from among the elected district court judges of the respective districts. These judges have responsibilities for the scheduling of the district courts and magistrates' courts within their respective districts, along with other administrative responsibilities.

The Administrative Office of the Courts is responsible for direction of non-judicial, administrative and business affairs of the Judicial Department. Included among its functions are fiscal management, personnel services, information and statistical services, supervision of record keeping in the trial court clerks' offices, liaison with the legislative and executive departments of government, court facility evaluation, purchase and contract, education and training, coordination of the program for provision of legal counsel to indigent persons, juvenile probation and after-care, trial court administrator services, planning, and general administrative services.

The clerk of superior court in each county acts as clerk for both the superior and district courts. Until 1980, the clerk also served as chairman of the county's calendar committee, which set the civil case calendars. Effective July 1, 1980, these committees were eliminated; day-to-day calendaring of civil cases is now done by the clerk of superior court or by a "trial court administrator" in some districts, under the supervision of the senior resident superior court judge and chief district court judge. The criminal case calendars in both superior and district courts are set by the district attorney of the respective district.

THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

Principal Administrative Authorities for North Carolina Trial Courts


CHIEF JUSTICE and SUPREME COURT
Administrative Office of the Courts
(35) District Attorneys
(34) Senior Resident Judges; (100) Clerks of Superior Court
SUPERIOR COURTS
(34) Chief District Court Judges
DISTRICT COURTS
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[1] The Supreme Court has general supervisory authority over the operations of the superior courts (as well as other trial courts). The schedule of superior courts is approved by the Supreme Court; assignments of superior court judges, who rotate from district to district, are the responsibility of the Chief Justice.

[2] The Director and an Assistant Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Chief Justice.

[3] The Supreme Court has general supervisory authority over the operations of the district courts (as well as other trial courts). The Chief Justice appoints a chief district court judge in each of the 34 judicial districts from the judges elected in the respective districts.

[4] The Administrative Office of the Courts is empowered to prescribe a variety of rules governing the operation of the offices of the 100 clerks of superior court, and to obtain statistical data and other information from officials in the Judicial Department.

[5] The district attorney sets the criminal-case trial calendars. In each district, the senior resident superior court judge and the chief district court judge are empowered to supervise the calendaring procedures for civil cases in their respective courts.

[6] In addition to certain judicial functions, the clerk of superior court performs administrative, fiscal and record-keeping functions for both the superior court and district court of his county. Magistrates, who serve under the supervision of the chief district court judge, are appointed by the senior resident superior court judge from nominees submitted by the clerk of superior court.

THE SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA
(As of June 30, 1988)

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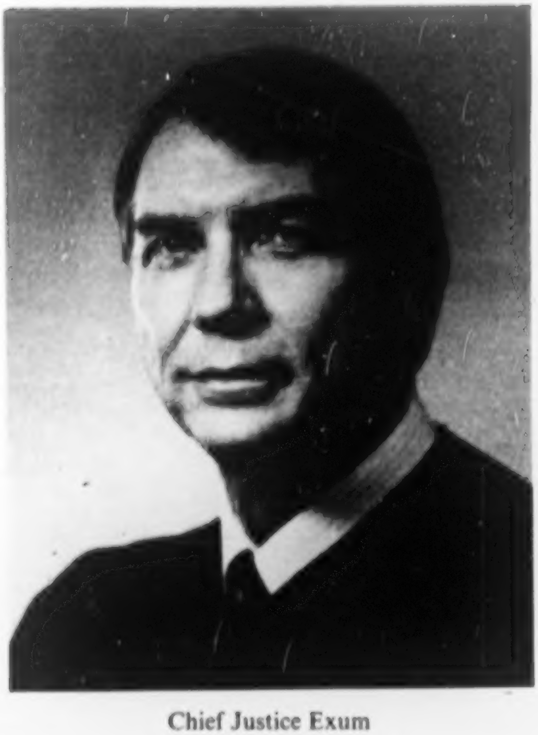


Chief Justice Exum

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

The Supreme Court

At the apex of the North Carolina court system is the seven-member Supreme Court, which sits in Raleigh to consider and decide questions of law presented in civil and criminal cases on appeal. The Chief Justice and six associate justices are elected to eight-year terms by the voters of the State. There are two terms of the Supreme Court each year: a Spring Term commencing on the first Tuesday in February and a Fall Term commencing on the first Tuesday in September. The Court does not sit in panels. It sits only *en banc*, that is, all members sitting on each case.

Jurisdiction

The only original case jurisdiction exercised by the Supreme Court is in the censure and removal of judges upon the (non-binding) recommendations of the Judicial Standards Commission. The Court's appellate jurisdiction includes:

- cases on appeal by right from the Court of Appeals (cases involving substantial constitutional questions and cases in which there has been dissent in the Court of Appeals);
- cases on appeal by right from the Utilities Commission (cases involving final order or decision in a general rate matter);
- criminal cases on appeal by right from the superior courts (cases in which the defendant has been sentenced to death or life imprisonment); and
- cases in which review has been granted in the Supreme Court's discretion.

Discretionary review by the Supreme Court directly from the trial courts may be granted when delay would likely cause subsantial harm or when the workload of the Appellate Division is such that the expeditious administration of justice requires it. However, most appeals are heard only after review by the Court of Appeals.

Administration

The Supreme Court has general power to supervise and control the proceedings of the other courts of the General Court of Justice. The Court has specific power to prescribe the rules of practice and procedure for the trial court divisions, consistent with any rules enacted by the General Assembly. The schedule of superior court sessions in the 100 counties is approved yearly, by the Supreme Court. The Clerk of the Supreme Court, the Librarian of the Supreme Court Library, and the Appellate Division Reporter are appointed by the Supreme Court.

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court appoints the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts and an Assistant Director, who serve at the pleasure of the Chief Justice. He also designates a Chief Judge from among the judges of the Court of Appeals and a Chief District Court Judge from among the district judges in each of the State's 34 judicial districts. He assigns superior court judges, who regularly rotate from district to district, to the scheduled sessions of superior court in the 100 counties, and he is also empowered to transfer district court judges to other districts for temporary or specialized duty. The Chief Justice appoints three of the seven members of the Judicial Standards Commission—a judge of the Court of Appeals who serves as the Commission's chairman, one superior court judge and one district court judge. The Chief Justice also appoints six of the 24 voting members of the N.C. Courts Commission: one associate justice of the Supreme Court; one Court of Appeals judge; two superior court judges; and two district court judges. The Chief Justice also appoints the Appellate Defender, and the Chief Hearing Officer of the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Expenses of the Court, 1987-88

Operating expenses of the Supreme Court during the 1987-88 fiscal year amounted to $2,352,654, an increase of 3.1% over total 1986-87 expenditures of $2,281,161. Expenditures for the Supreme Court during 1987-88 constituted 1.4% of all General Fund expenditures for the operation of the entire Judicial Department during the fiscal year.

Case Data, 1987-88

A total of 309 appealed cases were before the Supreme Court during the fiscal year, 164 that were pending on July 1, 1987 plus 145 cases filed through June 30, 1988. A total of 216 of these cases were disposed of, leaving 93 cases pending on June 30, 1988.

A total of 801 petitions (requests to appeal) were before the Court during the 1987-88 year, with 726 disposed during the year and 76 pending as of June 30, 1988. The Court granted 67 petitions for review during 1987-88 compared to 99 for 1986-87.

More detailed data on the Court's workload is presented on the following pages.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

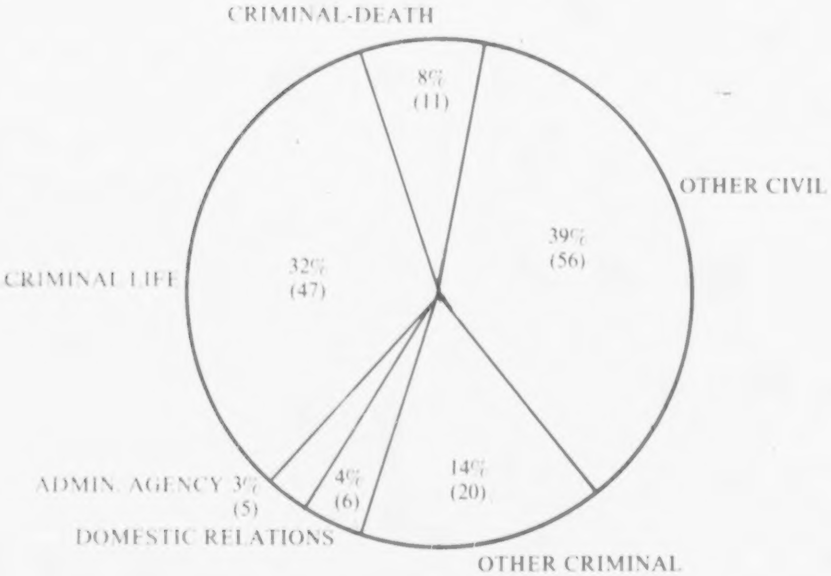
Supreme Court Caseload Inventory

July 1, 1987-June 30, 1988

	Pending 7/1/87	Filed	Disposed	Pending 6/30/88
Petitions for Review				
Civil domestic	5	5	8	2
Juvenile	1	2	3	0
Other civil	63	292	313	42
Criminal	78	298	351	25
Postconviction remedy	10	35	39	6
Administrative agency decision	9	3	12	0
Total Petitions for Review	**166**	**635**	**726**	**75**
Appeals				
Civil domestic	0	3	3	0
Petitions for review granted that became civil domestic appeals	2	3	4	1
Juvenile	0	0	0	0
Petitions for review granted that became juvenile appeals	0	0	0	0
Other civil	22	15	29	8
Petitions for review granted that became other civil appeals	22	41	40	23
Criminal, defendant sentenced to death	24	11	14	21
Criminal, defendant sentenced to life imprisonment	69	47	93	23
Other criminal	5	11	11	5
Petitions for review granted that became other criminal appeals	11	9	11	9
Petitions for review granted that became postconviction remedy cases	0	0	0	0
Administrative agency decision	6	2	5	3
Petitions for review granted that became appeals of administrative agency decision	3	3	6	0
Total Appeals	**164**	**145**	**216**	**93**
Other Proceedings				
Rule 16(b) additional issues re dissent	0	8	8	0
Extraordinary writs	0	58	58	0
Requests for advisory opinion	0	1	1	0
Rule amendments	0	17	17	0
Motions	0	589	589	0
Rule 31 Petitions to Rehear	4	18	15	4
Total Other Proceedings	**1**	**691**	**688**	**4**

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN FISCAL YEAR 1987-88

APPEALS FILED IN THE SUPREME COURT
JULY 1, 1987 — JUNE 30, 1988



PETITIONS FILED IN THE SUPREME COURT
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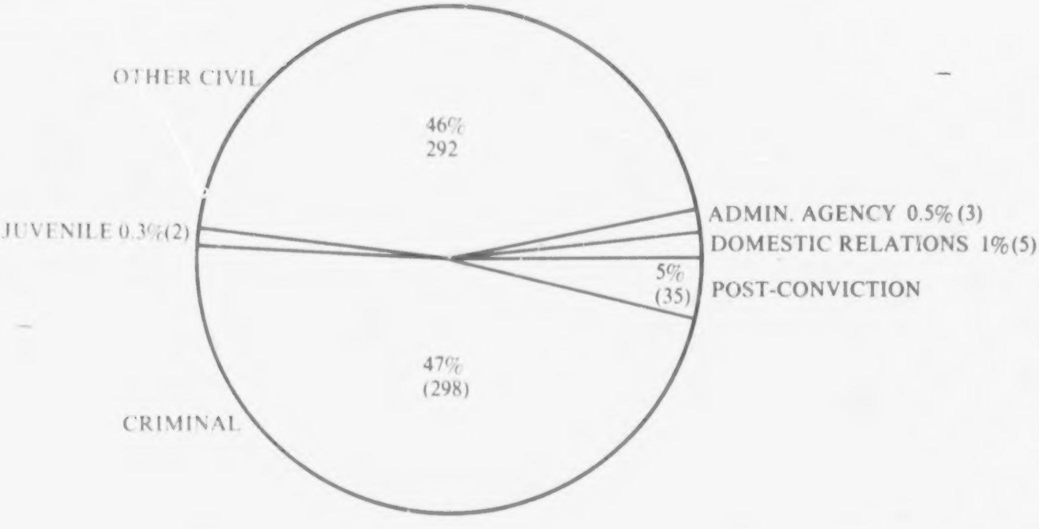


ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

Supreme Court Caseload Types by Judicial District and Division

July 1, 1987-June 30, 1988

Judicial Division	Judicial District	Total Cases	Death Cases	Life Cases	Other Criminal	Civil Cases	Other Cases	Cases Disposed
I	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	2
	2	7	0	5	1	1	0	4
	3A	4	1	2	0	1	0	3
	3B	3	0	1	0	2	0	3
	4	12	2	5	1	4	0	8
	5	13	1	11	0	1	0	7
	6	9	3	4	2	0	0	5
	7	6	1	2	0	3	0	5
	8	8	0	6	0	2	0	6
SUBTOTAL		**65**	**8**	**39**	**4**	**14**	**0**	**43**
II	9	6	1	2	2	1	0	4
	10	48	3	5	5	19	16	35
	11	6	0	2	1	3	0	4
	12	19	1	13	4	1	0	12
	13	2	1	1	0	0	0	1
	14	14	0	7	4	3	0	11
	15A	7	1	3	1	2	0	6
	15B	11	0	5	0	6	0	6
	16	11	0	4	0	0	0	6
	16A	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL		**125**	**15**	**42**	**17**	**35**	**16**	**85**
III	17A	2	2	0	0	0	0	1
	17B	3	1	0	1	1	0	3
	18	20	1	4	2	13	0	15
	19A	6	1	4	0	1	0	3
	19B	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
	20	90	1	4	0	4	0	4
	21	21	0	15	0	6	0	8
	22	16	5	6	1	4	0	12
	23	71	0	5	0	2	0	6
SUBTOTAL		**85**	**11**	**38**	**4**	**32**	**0**	**52**
IV	24	3	0	0	2	1	0	2
	25	10	3	3	1	3	0	3
	26	14	0	2	4	8	0	6
	27A	10	1	6	1	2	0	7
	27B	2	0	1	0	1	0	2
	28	11	1	4	1	6	0	6
	29	12	3	81	1	0	0	5
	30	6	1	3	1	1	0	4
SUBTOTAL		**68**	**9**	**27**	**10**	**22**	**0**	**35**
TOTALS		**343**	**43**	**146**	**35**	**103**	**16**	**216**

NOTE: Includes life and death sentence cases awaiting Record on Appeal and not yet formally docketed.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

Submission of Cases Reaching Decision Stage in Supreme Court

July 1, 1987-June 30, 1988

Cases Argued	
Civil	70
Criminal	119
Total cases argued	**189**
Submissions Without Argument	
By motion of the parties (Appellate Rule 30 (d))	7
By order of the Court (Appellate Rule 30 (f))	0
Total submissions without argument	**7**
Total Cases Reaching Decision Stage	**196**

Disposition of Petitions and Other Proceedings by the Supreme Court

July 1, 1987-June 30, 1988

Petitions for Review	Granted*	Denied	Dismissed/ Withdrawn	Total Disposed
Civil Domestic	3	20	2	25
Juvenile	0	5	2	7
Other Civil	48	189	8	245
Criminal	13	244	10	267
Postconviction Remedy	0	12	27	39
Administrative Agency Decision	3	3	0	6
Total Petitions for Review	**67**	**473**	**49**	**589**

Other Proceedings	
Rule 16(b) — Additional Issues	8
Extraordinary Writs	58
Advisory Opinion	1
Rule Amendments	17
Motions	489
Total Other Proceedings	**573**

*"GRANTED" includes orders allowing relief without accepting the case as a full appeal.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

Disposition of Supreme Court Appeals With Signed Opinions

Case Types	Affirmed	Modified	Reversed	Reversed Remanded	Remanded	Total Disposed
Civil domestic	1	1	2	2	0	6
Juvenile	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other civil	16	5	5	28	0	54
Criminal (death sentence)	6	0	0	4	4	14
Criminal (life sentence)	71	0	0	13	6	90
Other criminal	5	0	4	6	0	15
Postconviction remedy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative agency decision	2	0	0	7	0	9
Totals	**101**	**6**	**11**	**60**	**10**	**188**

Disposition of Supreme Court Appeals with Per Curiam Decision

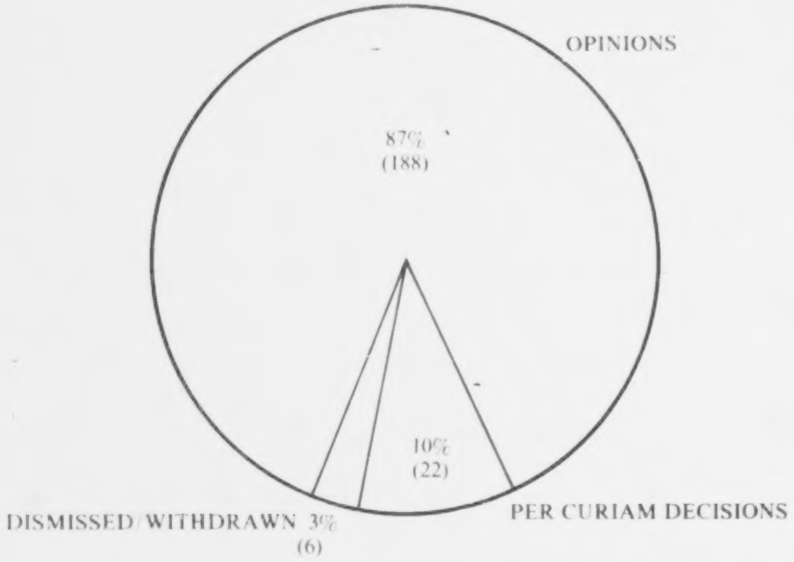
Case Types	Affirmed	Modified	Reversed	Reversed Remanded	Remanded	Total Disposed
Civil domestic	1	0	0	0	0	1
Juvenile	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other civil	12	0	0	1	0	13
Criminal (death sentence)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal (life sentence)	0	0	0	0	0	1
Other criminal	5	0	0	0	0	5
Postconviction remedy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative agency decision	1	0	0	1	0	2
Totals	**20**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**0**	**22**

Disposition of Supreme Court Appeals by Dismissal or Withdrawal

Case Types	Dismissed or Withdrawn
Civil domestic	0
Juvenile	0
Other civil	2
Criminal (death sentence)	0
Criminal (life sentence)	2
Other criminal	2
Post-conviction remedy	0
Administrative agency decision	0
Totals	**6**

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN FISCAL YEAR 1987-88

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF APPEALS IN THE SUPREME COURT
JULY 1, 1987-JUNE 30, 1988



TYPE OF DISPOSITION OF PETITIONS FOR REVIEW IN THE SUPREME COURT
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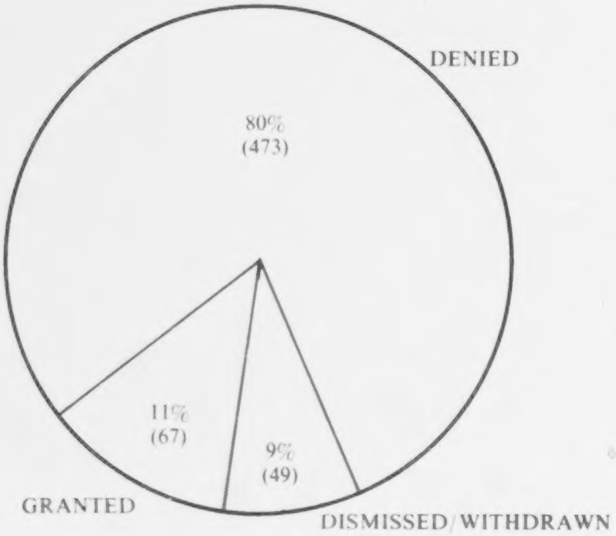
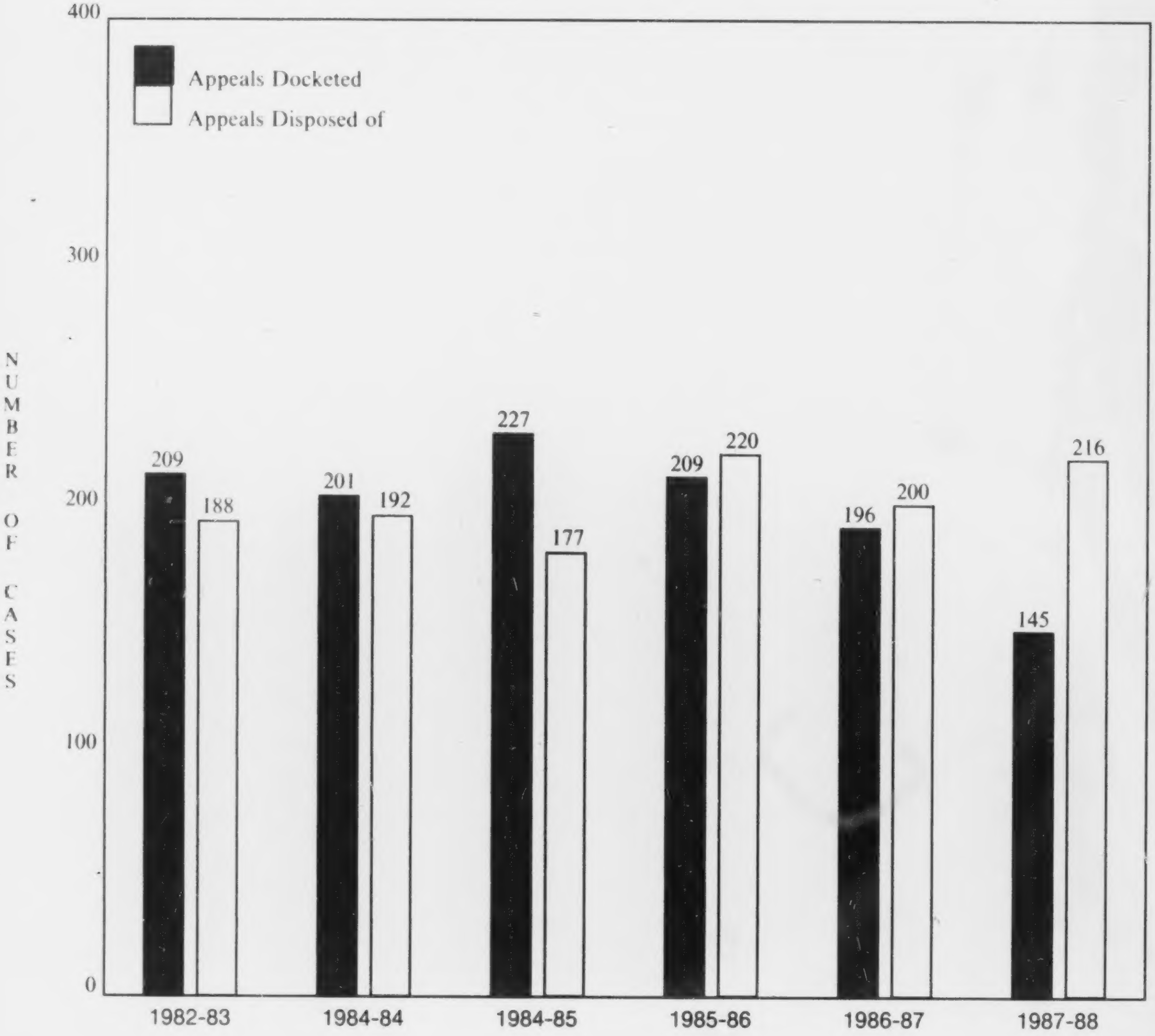


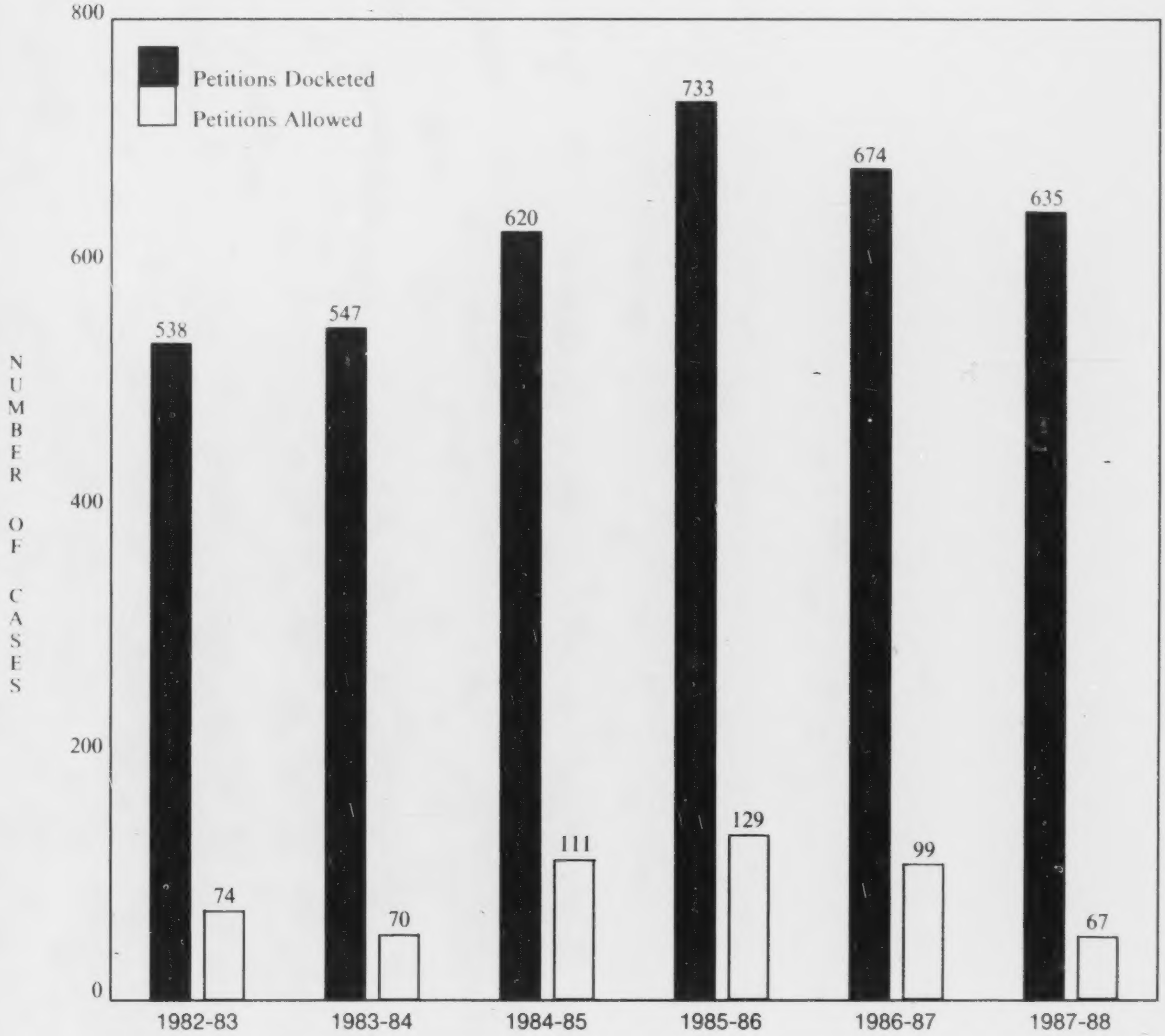
NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT

Appeals Docketed and Disposed of During the Years, 1982-83—1987-88



NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT

Petitions Docketed and Allowed During the Years, 1982-83—1987-88



Supreme Court Processing Time for Disposed Cases
(Total time in days from docketing to decision)
July 1, 1987-June 30, 1988

	Number of Cases	(Days) Median	(Days) Mean
Civil domestic	3	190	197.3
Petitions for review granted that became civil domestic appeals	4	271	238.0
Juvenile	0	0	0
Petitions for review granted that became juvenile appeals	0	0	0
Other civil	29	184	222.4
Petitions for review granted that became other civil appeals	40	186	200.9
Criminal, defendant sentenced to death	14	462	475.4
Criminal, defendant sentenced to life imprisonment	93	282	495.2
Other criminal	11	188	236.0
Petitions for review granted that became other criminal appeals	11	337	325.6
Petitions for review granted that became postconviction remedy cases	0	0	0
Administrative agency decision	5	273	363.4
Petitions for review granted that became appeals of administrative agency decision	6	154	219.0
Total appeals	**216**	**256**	**361.0**

THE COURT OF APPEALS OF NORTH CAROLINA*

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*As of 30 June 1988

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

The Court of Appeals

The 12-judge Court of Appeals is North Carolina's intermediate appellate court; it hears a majority of the appeals originating from the State's trial courts. The Court regularly sits in Raleigh, and it may sit in other locations in the State as authorized by the Supreme Court. Sessions outside of Raleigh have not been regular or frequent. Judges of the Court of Appeals are elected by popular vote for eight-year terms. A Chief Judge for the Court is designated by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and serves in that capacity at the pleasure of the Chief Justice.

Cases are heard by panels of three judges, with the Chief Judge responsible for assigning members of the Court to the four panels. Insofar as practicable, each judge is to be assigned to sit a substantially equal number of times with each other judge. The Chief Judge presides over the panel of which he or she is a member and designates a presiding judge for the other panels.

One member of the Court of Appeals, designated by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, serves as chairman of the Judicial Standards Commission.

Jurisdiction

The bulk of the caseload of the Court of Appeals consists of cases appealed from the trial courts. The Court also hears appeals directly from the Industrial Commission; certain final orders or decisions of the North Carolina State Bar; and the Commissioner of Insurance; the State Board of Contract Appeals; and appeals from certain final orders or decisions of the Property Tax Commission. (Appeals from the decisions of other administrative agencies lie first within the jurisdiction of the superior courts.)

In the event of a recommendation from the Judicial Standards Commission to censure or remove from office a justice of the Supreme Court, the (non-binding) recommendation would be considered by the Chief Judge and the six judges next senior in service on the Court of Appeals (excluding the judge who serves as the Commission's chairman). Such seven-member panel would have sole jurisdiction to act upon the Commission's recommendation.

Expenses of the Court, 1987-88

Operating expenses of the Court of Appeals during the 1987-88 fiscal year totalled $3,158,383, an increase of 7.2% over 1986-87 expenditures of $2,947,010. Expenditures for the Court of Appeals during 1987-88 amounted to 1.9% of all General Fund expenditures for operation of the entire Judicial Department during the fiscal year.

Case Data, 1987-88

A total of 1,351 appealed cases were filed before the Court of Appeals during the period July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988. A total of 1,272 cases were disposed of during the same period. During 1987-88, a total of 446 petitions and 1,391 motions were filed before the Court of Appeals.

Further detail on the workload of the Court of Appeals is shown in the tables and graphs on the following pages.

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

July 1, 1987-June 30, 1988

Cases on Appeal	**Filings**	**Dispositions**
Civil cases appealed from district courts	309	
Civil cases appealed from superior courts	515	
Civil cases appealed from administrative agencies	44	
Criminal cases appealed from superior courts	483	
Total	**1,351**	**1,272**
Petitions		
Allowed		71
Denied		375
Remanded		0
Total	**446**	**446**
Motions		
Allowed		961
Denied		430
Remanded		0
Total	**1,391**	**1,391**
Total Cases on Appeal, Petitions and Motions	**3,188**	**3,109**

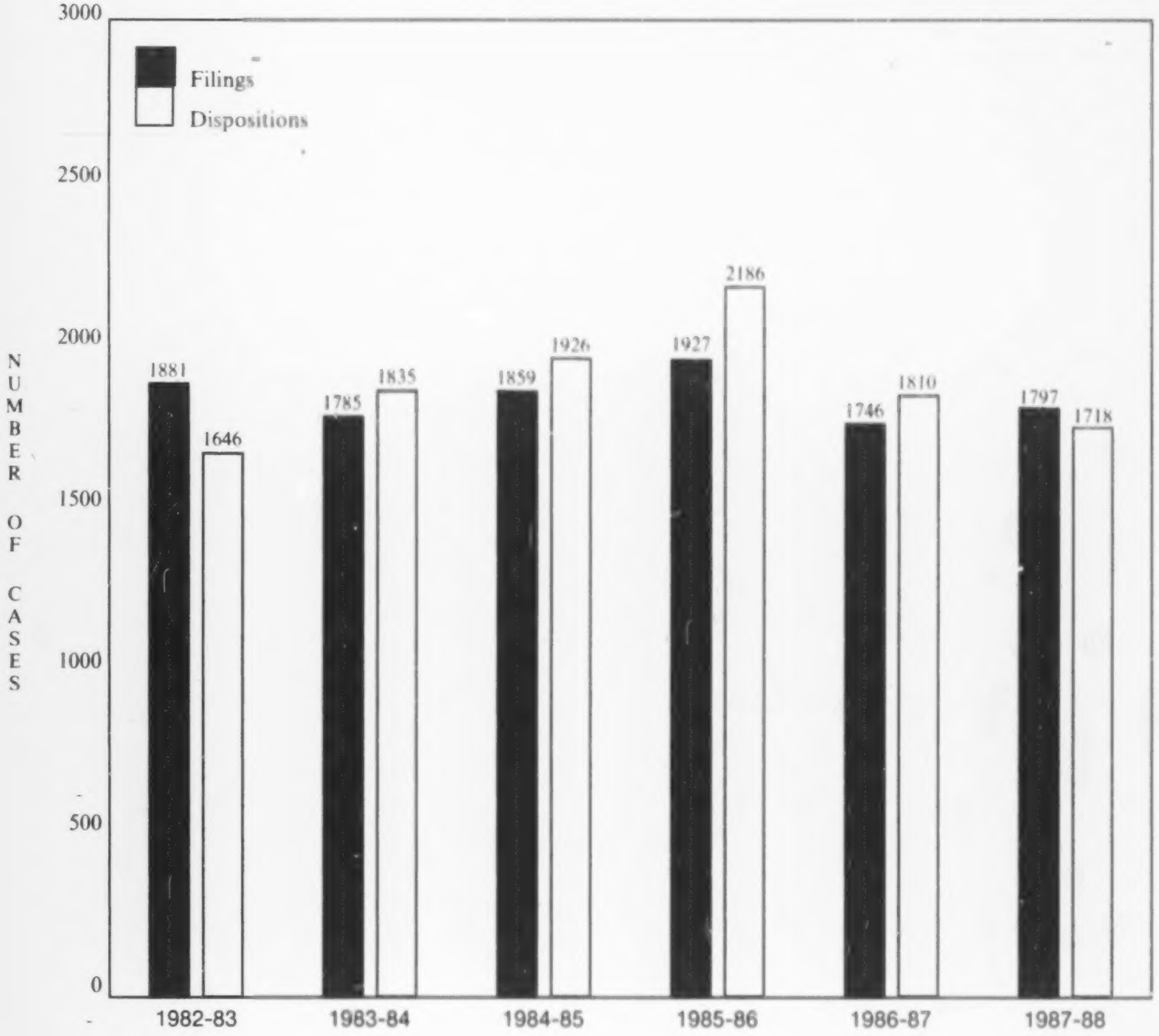
MANNER OF CASE DISPOSITIONS COURT OF APPEALS

July 1, 1987-June 30, 1988

Cases Disposed by Written Opinion				
Cases Affirmed	**Cases Reversed**	**Cases Affirmed In Part, Reversed In Part**	**Other Cases Disposed**	**Total Cases Disposed**
833	252	85	102	1,272

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE COURT OF APPEALS

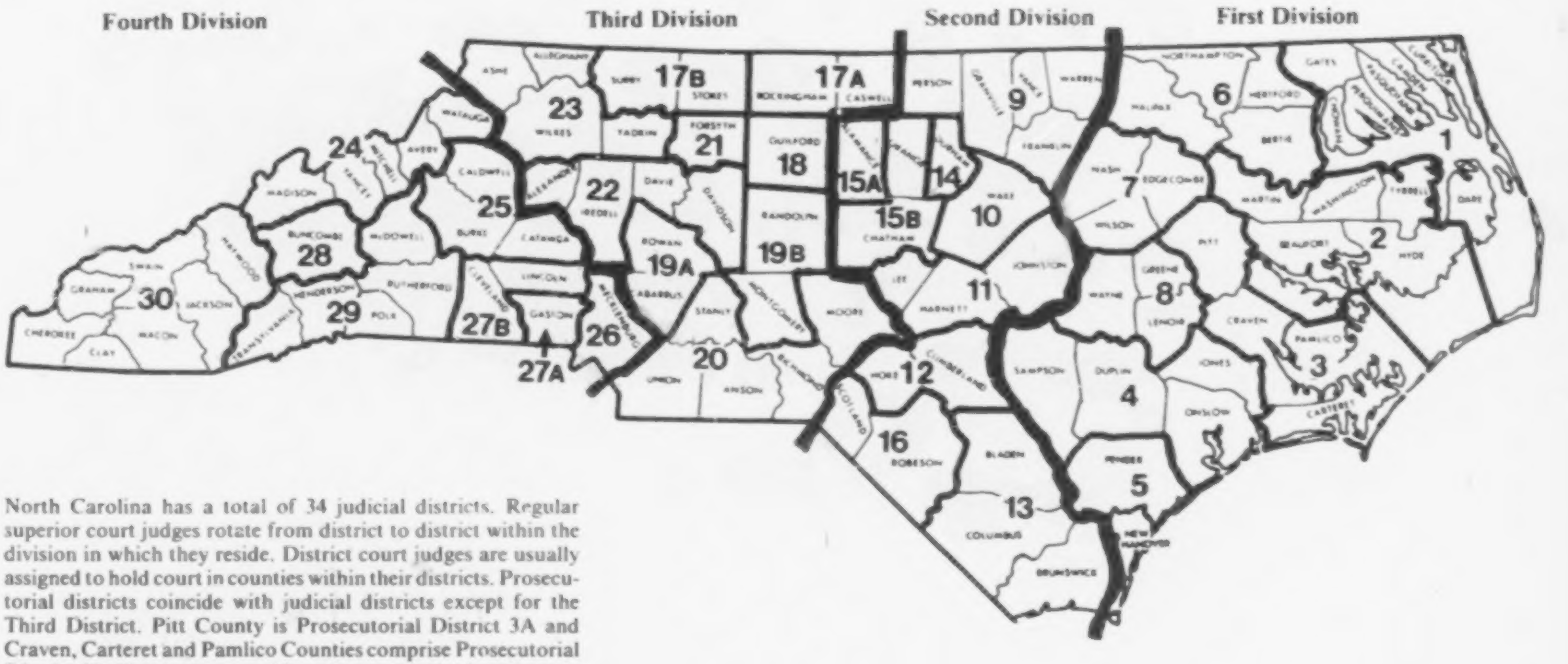
Fiscal Years 1982-83 Through 1987-88



Filings and dispositions in this graph include appealed cases and petitions (not motions) in the Court of Appeals.

THE PRESENT COURT SYSTEM

North Carolina Judicial Districts and Divisions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Anson
Union
Mecklenburg
Gaston
Lincoln
Catawba
Burke
Cleveland
Rutherford
Polk
Henderson
Transylvania
Haywood
Jackson
Swain
Graham
Cherokee
Clay
Macon

North Carolina has a total of 34 judicial districts. Regular superior court judges rotate from district to district within the division in which they reside. District court judges are usually assigned to hold court in counties within their districts. Prosecutorial districts coincide with judicial districts except for the Third District. Pitt County is Prosecutorial District 3A and Craven, Carteret and Pamlico Counties comprise Prosecutorial District 3B. Hence, there are 35 prosecutorial districts but only 34 judicial districts.

JUDGES OF SUPERIOR COURT*

(As of June 30, 1988)

FIRST DIVISION

District	
1	J. Herbert Small, Elizabeth City
	Thomas S. Watts, Elizabeth City
2	William C. Griffin, Jr., Williamston
3	David E. Reid, Jr., Greenville
	Herbert O. Phillips, III, Morehead City
4	Henry L. Stevens, III, Kenansville
	James R. Strickland, Jacksonville
5	Bradford Tillery, Wilmington
	Napoleon B. Barefoot, Wilmington
6	Richard B. Allsbrook, Roanoke Rapids
7	Franklin R. Brown, Tarboro
	Charles B. Winberry, Rocky Mount
8	James D. Llewellyn, Kinston
	Paul M. Wright, Goldsboro

SECOND DIVISION

9	Robert H. Hobgood, Louisburg
	Henry W. Hight, Jr., Henderson
10	Robert L. Farmer, Raleigh
	Henry V. Barnette, Jr., Raleigh
	Donald W. Stephens, Raleigh
	Howard E. Manning, Jr., Raleigh
11	Wiley F. Bowen, Dunn
12	Darius B. Herring, Jr., Fayetteville
	Coy E. Brewer, Jr., Fayetteville
	Edwin L. Johnson, Fayetteville
13	Giles R. Clark, Elizabethtown
14	Thomas H. Lee, Durham
	Anthony M. Brannon, Durham
	James M. Read, Durham
15A	Jasper B. Allen, Jr., Burlington
15B	F. Gordon Battle, Hillsboro
16	B. Craig Ellis, Laurinburg

THIRD DIVISION

District	
17A	Melzer A. Morgan, Jr., Wentworth
17B	James M. Long, Pilot Mountain
18	W. Douglas Albright, Greensboro
	Thomas W. Ross, Greensboro
	Joseph John, Greensboro
	Ralph A. Walker, Greensboro
19A	Thomas W. Seay, Jr., Spencer
	James C. Davis, Concord
19B	Russell G. Walker, Jr., Asheboro
20	F. Fetzer Mills, Wadesboro
	William H. Helms, Wingate
21	William Z. Wood, Winston-Salem
	Judson D. DeRamus, Jr., Winston-Salem
	William H. Freeman, Winston-Salem
22	Robert A. Collier, Jr., Statesville
	C. Preston Cornelius, Morresville
23	Julius A. Rousseau, Jr., North Wilkesboro

FOURTH DIVISION

24	Charles C. Lamm, Jr., Boone
25	Forrest A. Ferrell, Hickory
	Claude S. Sitton, Morganton
26	Frank W. Snepp, Jr., Charlotte
	Robert M. Burroughs, Charlotte
	Kenneth A. Griffin, Charlotte
	Chase B. Saunders, Charlotte
	W. Terry Sherrill, Charlotte
27A	Robert W. Kirby, Cherryville
	Robert E. Gaines, Gastonia
27B	John M. Gardner, Shelby
28	Robert D. Lewis, Asheville
	C. Walter Allen, Asheville
29	Hollis M. Owens, Jr., Rutherfordton
30	James U. Downs, Franklin
	Janet M. Hyatt, Waynesville

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*In districts with more than one resident judge, the senior resident judge is listed first.

SPECIAL JUDGES OF SUPERIOR COURT

James A. Beaty, Jr., Winston-Salem
John B. Lewis, Jr., Farmville
Richard D. Boner, Charlotte
Bruce B. Briggs, Mars Hill
Jack B. Crawley, Jr., Raleigh

Marvin K. Gray, Charlotte
Lamar Gudger, Asheville
I. Beverly Lake, Jr., Raleigh
Carlton E. Fellers, Raleigh
Samuel T. Currin, Raleigh

EMERGENCY JUDGES OF SUPERIOR COURT

Henry A. McKinnon, Jr., Lumberton
Samuel E. Britt, Lumberton
James H. Pou Bailey, Raleigh

The Conference of Superior Court Judges
(Officers as of June 30, 1988)

James M. Long, Pilot Mountain, *President*

Robert D. Lewis, Asheville, *President-Elect*

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D. B. Herring, Jr., Fayetteville and
James R. Strickland, Jacksonville,
Additional Executive Committe Member

Judge James M. Long

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

The Superior Courts

North Carolina's superior courts are the general jurisdiction trial courts for the state. In 1987-88, there were 64 "resident" superior court judges elected to office in the 34 judicial districts for eight-year terms by Statewide ballot. In addition, ten "special" superior court judges are appointed by the Governor.

Jurisdiction

The superior court has original jurisdiction in all felony cases and in those misdemeanor cases which originate by grand jury indictment. (Most misdemeanors are tried first in the district court, from which conviction may be appealed to the superior court for trial *de novo* by a jury. No trial by jury is available for criminal cases in district court.) The superior court is the proper court for the trial of civil cases where the amount in controversy exceeds $10,000, and it has jurisdiction over appeals from administrative agencies except the Industrial Commission, certain rulings of the Commissioner of Insurance, the Board of Bar Examiners of the North Carolina State Bar, the Board of State Contract Appeals, and the Property Tax Commission. Appeals from these agencies lie directly to the North Carolina Court of Appeals. Regardless of the amount in controversy, the original civil jurisdiction of the superior court does not include domestic relations cases, which are heard in the district courts, or probate and estates matters and certain special proceedings heard first by the clerk of superior court. Rulings of the clerk are within the appellate jurisdiction of the superior court.

Administration

The 100 counties of North Carolina were grouped into 34 judicial districts during 1986-87. Each district has at least one resident superior court judge who has certain administrative responsibilities for his home district, such as providing for civil case calendaring procedures. (Criminal case calendars are prepared by the district attorneys.) In districts with more than one resident superior court judge, the judge senior in service on the superior court bench exercises these supervisory powers.

The judicial districts are grouped into four divisions for the rotation of superior court judges, as shown on the map on Page 31. Within the division, a resident superior court judge is required to rotate among the judicial districts, holding court for at least six months in each, then moving on to his next assignment. A special superior court judge may be assigned to hold court in any of the 100 counties. Assignments of all superior court judges are made by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Under the Constitution of North Carolina, at least two sessions (a week each) of superior court are held annually in each of the 100 counties. The vast majority of counties have more than the constitutional minimum of two weeks of superior court annually. Many larger counties have superior court in session about every week in the year.

Expenditures

A total of $15,978,747 was expended on the operations of the superior courts during the 1987-88 fiscal year. This included the salaries and travel expenses for the 74 superior court judges, and salaries and expenses for court reporters and secretarial staff for superior court judges. The 1987-88 expenditures for the superior courts amounted to 9.65% of total General Fund expenditures for the operations of the entire Judicial Department during the 1987-88 fiscal year.

Caseload

Including both civil and criminal cases, a total of 105,704 cases were filed in the superior courts during 1987-88, an increase of 6,818 cases (6.9%) from the total of 98,886 cases that were filed in 1986-87. There were increases in filings in all case categories: civil cases, felonies, and misdemeanor appeals.

Superior court case dispositions increased from 96,308 in 1986-87 to 100,808 in 1987-88. Dispositions of civil and felony cases increased, while dispositions of misdemeanor appeals decreased.

More detailed information on the flow of cases through the superior courts is included in Part IV of this Report.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGES*

(As of June 30, 1988)

District	
1	John T. Chaffin, Elizabeth City
	Grafton G. Beaman, Elizabeth City
	John R. Parker, Manteo
2	Hallett S. Ward, Washington
	Samuel G. Grimes, Washington
	James W. Hardison, Wiliamston
3	E. Burt Aycock, Jr., Greenville
	J. Randal Hunter, New Bern
	Willie L. Lumpkin, III, Morehead City
	James E. Martin, Bethel
	James E. Ragan, Oriental
	H. Horton Rountree, Greenville
4	Kenneth W. Turner, Rose Hill
	William M. Cameron, Jr., Jacksonville
	Wayne G. Kimble, Jr., Jacksonville
	Leonard W. Thagard, Clinton
	Stephen M. Williamson, Kenansville
5	Gilbert H. Burnett, Wilmington
	Jacqueline Morris-Goodson, Wilmington
	Charles E. Rice, III, Wilmington
	Elton Glenn Tucker, Wilmington
6	Nicholas Long, Roanoke Rapids
	Harold P. McCoy, Scotland Neck
	Robert E. Williford, Lewiston
7	George Britt, Tarboro
	Allen W. Harrell, Wilson
	Quentin T. Sumner, Rocky Mount
	Albert S. Thomas, Jr., Wilson
8	J. Patrick Exum, Kinston
	Kenneth R. Ellis, Fremont
	Rodney R. Goodman, Kinston
	Arnold O. Jones, Goldsboro
	Joseph E. Setzer, Jr., Goldsboro
9	Claude W. Allen, Jr., Oxford
	Ben U. Allen, Jr., Henderson
	J. Larry Senter, Franklinton
	Charles W. Wilkinson, Oxford
10	George F. Bason, Raleigh
	Stafford G. Bullock, Raleigh
	William A. Creech, Raleigh
	George R. Greene, Raleigh
	Joyce A. Hamilton, Raleigh
	Jerry W. Leonard, Raleigh
	Fred M. Morelock, Raleigh
	Louis W. Payne, Jr., Raleigh
	Russell G. Sherrill, III, Raleigh
11	Elton C. Pridgen, Smithfield
	William Christian, Sanford
	Edward H. McCormick, Lillington
	Owen H. Willis, Jr., Dunn
12	Sol. G. Cherry, Fayetteville
	John S. Hair, Jr., Fayetteville
	Lacy S. Hair, Fayetteville
	Anna E. Keever, Fayetteville
	Warren L. Pate, Raeford
	Patricia Timmons-Goodson, Fayetteville
13	William C. Gore, Jr., Whiteville
	Dewey J. Hooks, Jr., Whiteville
	Jerry A. Jolly, Tabor City
	David G. Wall, Elizabethtown
14	David Q. LaBarre, Durham
	Richard Chaney, Durham
	Orlando F. Hudson, Jr., Durham
	Carolyn D. Johnson, Durham
	Kenneth C. Titus, Durham
15A	W. S. Harris, Jr., Graham
	Spencer B. Ennis, Burlington
	James K. Washburn, Burlington
15B	Stanley Peele, Chapel Hill
	Lowry M. Betts, Pittsboro
	Patricia S. Hunt, Chapel Hill
16	John S. Gardner, Lumberton
	Adelaide G. Behan, Lumberton
	Charles G. McLean, Lumberton
	Herbert L. Richardson, Lumberton
17A	Peter M. McHugh, Reidsville
	Robert R. Blackwell, Reidsville
	Philip W. Allen, Yanceyville
17B	Jerry Cash Martin, Mount Airy
	Clarence W. Carter, King
18	Paul T. Williams, Greensboro
	Sherry F. Alloway, Greensboro
	Robert E. Bencini, Jr., High Point
	William L. Daisy, Greensboro
	Edmund Lowe, High Point
	Lawrence C. McSwain, Greensboro
	J. Bruce Morton, Greensboro
	William A. Vaden, Greensboro
19A	Frank M. Montgomery, Salibury
	Robert M. Davis, Salisbury
	Adam C. Grant, Jr., Concord
	Clarence E. Horton, Jr., Kannapolis

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*The Chief District Court Judge for each district is listed first.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGES*

(As of June 30, 1988)

District	
19B	William M. Neely, Asheboro
	Richard M. Toomes, Asheboro
20	Donald R. Huffman, Wadesboro
	Michael E. Beale, Southern Pines
	Ronald W. Burris, Albemarle
	Kenneth W. Honneycutt, Monroe
	Tanya T. Wallace, Carthage
21	Abner Alexander, Winston-Salem
	Lorretta C. Biggs, Clemmons
	James A. Harrill, Jr., Winston-Salem
	Roland H. Hayes, Winston-Salem
	Robert Kason Keiger, Winston-Salem
	William B. Reingold, Winston-Salem
22	Lester P. Martin, Jr., Mocksville
	Samuel A. Cathey, Statesville
	George T. Fuller, Lexington
	Kimberly T. Harbinson, Taylorsville
	Robert W. Johnson, Statesville
23	Samuel L. Osborne, Wilkesboro
	Edgar B. Gregory, Wilkesboro
	Michael E. Helms, Wilkesboro
24	Robert H. Lacey, Newland
	Charles P. Ginn, Boone
	R. Alexander Lyerly, Banner Elk
25	L. Oliver Noble, Jr., Hickory
	Ronald E. Bogle, Hickory
	Stewart L. Cloer, Hickory
	Jonathan L. Jones, Hickory
	Timothy S. Kincaid, Newton
26	James E. Lanning, Charlotte
	Marilyn R. Bissell, Charlotte
	L. Stanley Brown, Charlotte
	Daphene L. Cantrell, Charlotte
	Richard A. Elkins, Charlotte
	Shirley L. Fulton, Charlotte
	Resa L. Harris, Charlotte
	Robert P. Johnston, Charlotte
	William G. Jones, Charlotte
	Theodore P. Matus, II, Charlotte
	William H. Scarborough, Charlotte
27A	Lawrence B. Langson, Gastonia
	Berlin H. Carpenter, Jr., Gastonia
	Harley B. Gaston, Jr., Belmont
	Timothy L. Patti, Gastonia
	Catherine C. Stevens, Gastonia
27B	George W. Hamrick, Shelby
	James T. Bowen, Lincolnton
	John K. Fonvielle, Shelby
28	Earl J. Fowler, Jr., Arden
	Gary S. Cash, Fletcher
	Robert L. Harrell, Asheville
	Peter L. Roda, Asheville
29	Robert T. Gash, Brevard
	Loto J. Greenlee, Marion
	Zoro J. Guice, Jr., Hendersonville
	Thomas N. Hix, Hendersonville
30	John J. Snow, Jr., Murphy
	Steven J. Bryant, Bryson City
	Danny E. Davis, Waynesville

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DISTRICT COURT JUDGES*

The Association of District Court Judges
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Charles P. Ginn, Boone
Additional Executive Committee Members

Judge Sol. G. Cherry

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

The District Courts

North Carolina's district courts are trial courts with original jurisdiction of the overwhelming majority of the cases handled by the State's court system. There were 151 district court judges serving in 34 judicial districts during 1987-88. These judges are elected to four-year terms by the voters of their respective districts.

A total of 640 magistrate positions were authorized as of June 30, 1988. Of this number, about 100 positions were specified as part-time. Magistrates are appointed by the senior resident superior court judge from nominations submitted by the clerk of superior court of their county, and they are supervised by the chief district court judge of their district.

Jurisdiction

The jurisdiction of the district court extends to virtually all misdemeanor cases, probable cause hearings in most felony cases, all juvenile proceedings, involuntary commitments and recommitments to mental hospitals, and domestic relations cases. Effective September 1, 1986, the General Assembly decriminalized many minor traffic offenses. Such offenses, previously charged as misdemeanors, are now "infractions," defined as non-criminal violations of law not punishable by imprisonment. The district court division has original jurisdiction for all infraction cases. The district courts have concurrent jurisdiction with the superior courts in general civil cases, but the district courts are the proper courts for the trial of civil cases where the amount in controversy is $10,000 or less. Upon the plaintiff's request, a civil case in which the amount in controversy is $1,500 or less, may be designated a "small claims" case and assigned by the chief district court judge to a magistrate for hearing. Magistrates are empowered to try worthless check criminal cases when the value of the check does not exceed $500. In addition, they may accept written appearances, waivers of trial, and pleas of guilty in such worthless check cases when the amount of the check is $500 or less, the offender has made restitution, and the offender has fewer than four previous worthless check convictions. Magistrates may accept waviers of appearance and pleas of guilty in misdemeanor or infraction cases involving traffic, alcohol, boating, hunting and fishing violation cases, for which a uniform schedule of fines has been adopted by the Conference of Chief District Judges. Magistrates also conduct initial hearings to fix conditions of release for arrested defendants, and they are empowered to issue arrest and search warrants.

Administration

A chief district judge is appointed for each judicial district by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court from among the elected judges in the respective districts. Subject to the Chief Justice's general supervision, each chief judge exercises administrative supervision and authority over the operation of the district courts and magistrates in his district. Each chief judge is responsible for scheduling sessions of district court and assigning judges; supervising the calendaring of noncriminal cases; assigning matters to magistrates; making arrangements for court reporting and jury trials in civil cases; and supervising the discharge of clerical functions in the district courts.

The chief district court judges meet in conference at least once a year upon the call of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Among other matters, this annual conference adopts a uniform schedule of traffic offenses and fines for their violation for use by magistrates and clerks of court in accepting defendants' waivers of appearance and guilty pleas.

Expenditures

Total expenditures for the operation of the district courts in 1987-88 amounted to $29,939,853. This is an increase of 11.3% over 1986-87 expenditures of $26,908,723. Included in this total are the personnel costs of court reporters and secretaries as well as the personnel costs of the 151 district court judges and approximately 640 magistrates. The 1987-88 total is 18.1% of the General Fund expenditures for the operation of the entire Judicial Department, about the same percentage share of total Judicial Department expenditures that the district courts took for the 1986-87 fiscal year.

Caseload

During 1987-88 the statewide total number of district court filings (civil and criminal) increased 135,462 (7.2%) over the total number reported for 1986-87. Not including juvenile proceedings and mental hospital commitment hearings, the filing total in 1987-88 was 2,004,447. Much of this increase is attributable to increases in criminal motor vehicle and infraction filings. Considering criminal motor vehicle and infraction cases together there was an increase of 52,764 cases (5.4%) above the number of such cases filed in 1986-87. Filings of criminal non-motor vehicle cases increased by 46,579 (9.9%), and filings of civil magistrate cases increased by 29,881 (12.1%) above the numbers of cases filed in these categories in 1986-87.

More detailed information on district court civil and criminal caseloads and on juvenile case activity is contained in Part IV of this Report.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

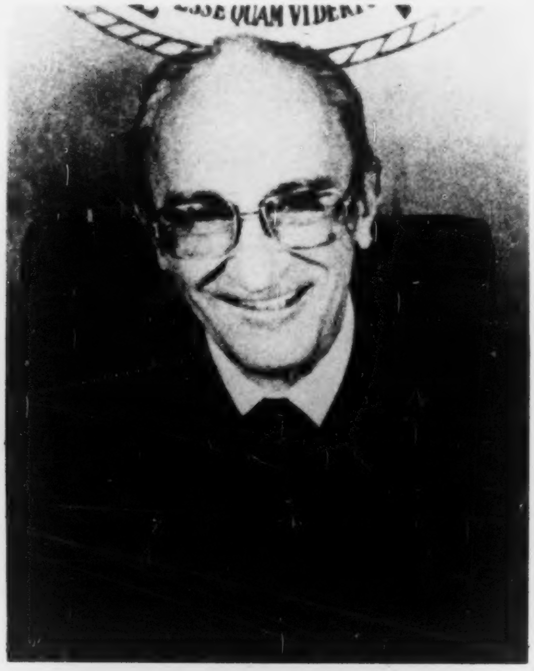
The District Courts

The Conference of Chief District Court Judges
(Officers as of June 30, 1988)

Robert H. Lacey, Newland, *President*

Frank M. Montgomery, Salisbury, *Vice President*

John S. Gardner, Lumberton, *Secretary-Treasurer*



Judge Robert H. Lacey

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS
(As of June 30, 1988)

District	
1	H. P. WILLIAMS, JR., Elizabeth City
2	MITCHELL D. NORTON, Washington
3A	THOMAS D. HAIGWOOD, Greenville
3B	WILLIAM D. McFADYEN, New Bern
4	WILLIAM H. ANDREWS, Jacksonville
5	JERRY L. SPIVEY, Wilmington
6	DAVID H. BEARD, JR., Murfreesboro
7	HOWARD S. BONEY, JR., Tarboro
8	DONALD JACOBS, Goldsboro
9	DAVID R. WATERS, Oxford
10	C. COLON WILLOUGHBY, JR., Raleigh
11	JOHN W. TWISDALE, Smithfield
12	EDWARD W. GRANNIS, JR., Fayetteville
13	MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Whiteville
14	RONALD L. STEPHENS, Durham
15A	STEVE A. BALOG, Graham
15B	CARL R. FOX, Chapel Hill
16	JOE FREEMAN BRITT, Lumberton
17A	THURMAN B. HAMPTON, Wentworth
17B	HAROLD D. BOWMAN, Dobson
18	HORACE M. KIMEL, JR., Greensboro
19A	JAMES E. ROBERTS, Concord
19B	GARLAND N. YATES, Asheboro
20	CARROLL LOWDER, Monroe
21	W. WARREN SPARROW, Winston-Salem
22	H. W. ZIMMERMAN, JR., Lexington
23	MICHAEL A. ASHBURN, North Wilkesboro
24	JAMES THOMAS RUSHER, Marshall
25	ROBERT E. THOMAS, Newton
26	PETER S. GILCHRIST, Charlotte
27A	CALVIN B. HAMRICK, Gastonia
27B	WILLIAM C. YOUNG, Shelby
28	ROBERT W. FISHER, Asheville
29	ALAN C. LEONARD, Rutherfordton
30	ROY H. PATTON, JR., Waynesville

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

The District Attorneys

The Conference of District Attorneys
(Executive Committee as of June 30, 1987)

Michael F. Easley, *Presdient*
Ronald L. Stephens, *President-Elect*
H.P. Williams, *Vice President*
Edward W. Grannis, Jr.
Thomas D. Haigwood
Roy H. Patton, Jr.
C. Colon Willoughby, Jr.
H.W. Zimmerman, Jr.

The District Attorneys Association
(Officers as of June 30, 1987)

Michael F. Easley, Bolivia, *President*
H.P. Williams, Elizabeth City, *Vice President*
Ronald L. Stephens, Durham, *Vice President for Legislative Affairs*
Napoleon B. Barefoot, Jr., Bolivia, *Secretary-Treasurer*

District Attorney
Michael F. Easley

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

The District Attorneys

The State is divided into 35 prosecutorial districts which, with one exception, correspond to the 34 judicial districts. By act of the 1981 Session of the General Assembly, the 3rd Judicial District is divided into two separate prosecutorial districts, Prosecutorial Districts 3A and 3B, effective October 1, 1981. Prosecutorial District 3A consists of Pitt County, and Prosecutorial District 3B is comprised of Craven, Carteret, and Pamlico (G.S. 7A-60). A district attorney is elected by the voters in each of the 35 districts for four-year terms.

Duties

The district attorney represents the State in all criminal actions brought in the superior and district courts in his district, and is responsible for ensuring that infraction cases are prosecuted efficiently. In addition to his prosecutorial functions, the district attorney is responsible for calendaring criminal cases for trial.

Resources

Each district attorney may employ on a full-time basis the number of assistant district attorneys authorized by statute for his district. As of June 30, 1988, a total of 225 assistant district attorneys were authorized for the 35 prosecutorial districts. The district attorney of District 26 (Mecklenburg County) had the largest staff (19 assistants) and the district attorney of seven judicial districts (15A, 15B, 17A, 17B, 19B, 23, 24) had the smallest staff (three assistants).

Each district attorney is authorized to employ an administrative assistant to aid in preparing cases for trial and to expedite the criminal court docket. The district attorney in 18 of the 35 districts is authorized to employ an investigatorial assistant who aids in the investigation of cases prior to trial. All district attorneys are authorized to employ a victim and witness coordinator.

Expenditures

A total of $19,014,218 was expended in 1987-88 for the 35 offices of district attorney. In addition, a total of $100,943 was expended for the District Attorney's Conference and its staff.

1987-1988 Caseload

A total of 88,948 criminal cases were filed in the superior courts during 1987-88, consisting of 55,284 felony cases and 33,664 misdemeanor appeals from the district courts. The total number of criminal filings in the superior courts in the previous year was 83,478. The increase of 5,470 cases in 1987-88 represents a 6.6% increase over the 1986-87 total.

Total criminal cases disposed of by the superior courts in 1987-88 amounted to 85,123. There were 53,420 felony dispositions; the number of misdemeanor cases disposed of was 31,703. Compared with 1986-87, total criminal case dispositions increased by 3,987 over the 81,136 cases disposed of in that fiscal year.

The median ages of 1987-88 criminal cases at disposition in the superior courts were 86 days for felony cases and 70 days for misdemeaor appeals. In 1986-87, the median age of felony cases at disposition was 91 days, and the median age at disposition for misdemeanor appeals was 71 days.

The number of criminal cases disposed of by jury trial in the superior courts increased slightly from 3,072 in 1986-87 to 3,111 in 1987-88, an increase of 1.3%. As in past years, the proportion of total criminal cases disposed by jury was small—3.8% in 1986-87 compared to 3.7% in 1987-88. This small number of cases, however, requires the great proportion of superior court time and resources devoted to handling the criminal caseload.

By contrast, in 1987-88 a majority (45,600 or 53.6%) of criminal case dispositions in superior courts were processed on submission of guilty pleas, not requiring a trial. This percentage represents a slight increase over the proportion of guilty plea dispositions reported for 1986-87 (52.1%).

"Dismissal by district attorney" accounted for a significant percentage of all criminal case dispotions during 1987-88—a total of 23,657 cases, or 27.8% of all dispositions. This proportion is comparable to that recorded for prior years. Many of the dismissals involved the situations of two or more cases pending against the same defendant, resulting in a plea bargain agreement where the defendant pleads guilty to some charges in exchange for a dismissal of others.

There was an increase in the number of "Speedy Trial Act" dismissals in superior courts, from 48 in 1986-87 to 52 in 1987-88.

The total number of criminal cases *disposed* of in the superior courts was 3,825 cases less than the total number of case *filed* in 1987-88. Consequently, the number of criminal cases pending in suprioer court increased from 27,229 at the beginning of the fiscal year to a total at year's end of 31,054, an increase of 14.0%.

The median age of pending felony cases in the superior courts decreased from 88 days on June 30, 1987 to 79 days on June 30, 1988. The median age of pending misdemeanor appeals also decreased—from 83 days on June 30, 1987 to 78 days on June 30, 1988.

Consideration of district court criminal caseloads is affected by the existence of a new case category in the district courts, "infractions." Effective September 1, 1986, many minor traffic offenses were decriminalized and thereafter charged as infractions, defined as non-criminal violations of law not punishable by imprisonment. Although non-criminal, district attorneys are responsible for the prosecution of these cases.

Nearly all infraction cases were criminal motor vehicle cases in prior years. Therefore, for purposes of comparing current to prior year criminal caseloads, motor vehicle filings and dispositions in prior years are compared to filings and dispositions of motor vehicle cases plus infractions in 1987-88.

In the district courts, a total of 1,542,962 criminal cases and infractions were filed during 1987-88. This total consisted of 419,407 criminal motor vehicle cases, 608,845 infraction cases, and 514,710 criminal non-motor vehicle cases. A comparison of total filings in 1987-88 with total filings in 1986-87 (1,443,619) reveals an increase in district court criminal and infraction filings of 99,343 cases, or 6.9%. Filings of non-motor vehicle cases rose by 46,579 cases (9.9%), from 468,131 cases in 1986-87 to 514,710 cases in 1987-88. Filings of motor vehicle plus infraction cases increased by 52,764 cases (5.4%), from 975,488 in 1986-87 to 1,028,252 in 1987-88.

Total dispositions of motor vehicle and infraction cases in the district courts amounted to 994,387 cases during 1987-88 (401,855 motor vehicle dispositions and 592,532 infraction dispositions). As in prior years, a substantial portion of such cases are disposed by waiver of appearance and entry of pleas of guilty (or "responsibility" in infraction cases) before a clerk or magistrate. During 1987-88, 506,999 (51.0%) of motor vehicle and infraction cases were disposed by waiver. This substantial number of cases did not, of course, require action by the district attorneys' offices and should not be regarded as having been a part of the district attorneys' caseload. The remaining 487,388 infraction and motor vehicle cases (186,022 infraction and 301,332 motor vehicle cases) were disposed by means other than waiver. This balance was 59,022 cases (or 13.8%) more than the 428,366 non-waiver motor vehicle dispositions in 1986-87. (The clerks of court do not report motor vehicle criminal cases or infractions by case file number to the Administrative Office of the Courts. Only summary total number of filings and dispositions are reported. Therefore, it is not possible by computer-processing to obtain pending case data for the motor vehicle criminal case or infraction case categories.)

With respect to non-motor vehicle criminal case dispositions, a total of 500,529 such cases were disposed of in district courts in 1987-88. As with superior court criminal cases, the most frequent method of disposition was by entry of guilty plea; the next most frequent was dismissal by the district attorney. Some 177,010 cases, or 35.4% of the dispositions were by guilty pleas. An additional 138,798 cases, or 27.7% of the total were disposed of by prosecutor dismissal. The remaining cases were disposed of by waiver (11.3%), trial (8.2%), as a felony probable cause matter (9.1%), or by other means (8.3%).

During 1987-88, the median age at disposition of non-motor vehicle criminal cases was 30 days, compared with 28 days at disposition for 1986-87.

Total non-motor vehicle criminal dispositions were 14,181 cases less than the total of such filings during 1987-88. The number of non-motor vehicle criminal cases pending at year's end was 97,866, compared with a total of 83,685 at the beginning of the year, an increase of 14,181 (16.9%) in the number of pending cases. The median age for pending non-motor vehicle cases rose from 54 days on June 30, 1987 to 57 days on June 30, 1988.

Additional information on the criminal caseloads in superior and district courts is included in Part IV of this Report.

CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

(As of June 30, 1988)

COUNTY	CLERK OF COURT	COUNTY	CLERK OF COURT
Alamance	Louise B. Wilson	Johnston	Will R. Crocker
Alexander	Seth Chapman	Jones	Ronald H. Metts
Alleghany	Rebecca J. Gambill	Lee	Lucille H. York
Anson	R. Frank Hightower	Lenoir	Claude C. Davis
Ashe	Jerry L. Roten	Lincoln	Pamela C. Huskey
Avery	Robert F. Taylor	Macon	Anna I. Carson
Beaufort	Thomas S. Payne, III	Madison	James W. Cody
Bertie	John Tyler	Martin	Phyllis G. Pearson
Bladen	Hilda H. Coleman	McDowell	Ruth B. Williams
Brunswick	Diana R. Morgan	Mecklenburg	Robert M. Blackburn
Buncombe	J. Ray Elingburg	Mitchell	Linda D. Woody
Burke	Major A. Joines	Montgomery	Charles M. Johnson
Cabarrus	Estus B. White	Moore	Rachel H. Comer
Caldwell	Jeanette Turner	Nash	Rachel M. Joyner
Camden	Catherine W. McCoy	New Hanover	Louise D. Rehder
Carteret	Darlene Leonard	Northampton	R. Jennings White, Jr.
Caswell	Janet H. Cobb	Onslow	Everitte Barbee
Catawba	Phyllis B. Hicks	Orange	Shirley L. James
Chatham	Janice Oldham	Pamlico	Mary Jo Potter
Cherokee	Rose Mary Crooke	Pasquotank	Frances W. Thompson
Chowan	Marjorie H. Hollowell	Pender	Frances D. Basden
Clay	James H. McClure	Perquimans	Walter W. White
Cleveland	Ruth S. Dedmon	Person	W. Thomas Humphries
Columbus	Lacy R. Thompson	Pitt	Sandra Gaskins
Craven	Dorothy Pate	Polk	Judy P. Arledge
Cumberland	George T. Griffin	Randolph	Lynda B. Skeen
Currituck	Sheila R. Doxey	Richmond	Catherine S. Wilson
Dare	Betty Mann	Robeson	Dixie I. Barrington
Davidson	Martha S. Nicholson	Rockingham	Frankie C. Williams
Davie	Delores C. Jordan	Rowan	Francis Glover
Duplin	John A. Johnson	Rutherford	Keith H. Melton
Durham	James Leo Carr	Sampson	Charlie T. McCullen
Edgecombe	Curtis Weaver	Scotland	C. Whitfield Gibson, Jr.
Forsyth	Frances P. Storey	Stanly	David R. Fisher
Franklin	Ralph S. Knott	Stokes	Pauline Kirkman
Gaston	Betty B. Jenkins	Surry	David J. Beal
Gates	Terry L. Riddick	Swain	Sara Robinson
Graham	O.W. Hooper, Jr.	Transylvania	Marian M. McMahon
Granville	Mary Ruth C. Nelms	Tyrrell	Nathan T. Everett
Greene	Joyce L. Harrell	Union	Nola H. McCollum
Guilford	Barbara G. Washington	Vance	Lucy Longmire
Halifax	Ellen C. Neathery	Wake	John M. Kennedy
Harnett	Georgia Lee Brown	Warren	Richard E. Hunter, Jr.
Haywood	William G. Henry	Washington	Timothy L. Spear
Henderson	Thomas H. Thompson	Watauga	John T. Bingham
Hertford	Richard T. Vann	Wayne	David B. Brantly
Hoke	Juanita Edmund	Wilkes	Wayne Roope
Hyde	Lenora R. Bright	Wilson	Nora H. Hargrove
Iredell	Angelia T. Roberts	Yadkin	Harold J. Long
Jackson	Frank Watson, Jr.	Yancey	F. Warren Hughes

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

The Clerks of Superior Court

Association of Clerks of Superior Court
(Officers as of June 30, 1988)

Frances W. Thompson, Pasquotank County,
President

James L. Carr, Durham County
First Vice President

Ray Elingburg, Buncombe County
Second Vice President

Judy Arledge, Polk County
Secretary

C. Whitfield Gibson, Jr., Scotland County
Treasurer

Frances W. Thompson

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

The Clerks of Superior Court

A Clerk of Superior Court is elected for a four-year term by the voters in each of North Carolina's 100 counties. The Clerk has jurisdiction to hear and decide special proceedings and is, *ex officio*, judge of probate, in addition to performing record-keeping and administrative functions for both the superior and district courts of his county.

Jurisdiction

The original jurisdiction of the clerk of superior court includes the probate of wills and administration of decedents' estates. It also includes such "special proceedings" as adoptions, condemnations of private property under the public's right of eminent domain, proceedings to establish boundaries, foreclosures, and certain proceedings to administer the estates of minors and incompetent adults. The right of appeal from the clerks' judgments in such cases lies to the superior court.

The clerk of superior court is also empowered to issue search warrants and arrest warrants, subpoenas, and other process necessary to execute the judgments entered in the superior and district courts of his county. For certain misdemeanor criminal offenses, the clerk is authorized to accept defendants' waiver of appearance and plea of guilty and to impose a fine in accordance with a schedule established by the Conference of Chief District Court Judges.

Administration

The clerk of superior court performs administrative duties for both the superior and district courts of his county. Among these duties are the maintenance of court records and indexes, the control and accounting of funds, and the furnishing of information to the Administrative Office of the Courts.

In most counties, the clerk continues to perform certain functions related to preparation of civil case calendars, and in many counties, the clerk's staff assists the district attorney in preparing criminal case calendars as well. Policy and oversight responsibility for civil case calendaring is vested in the State's senior resident superior court judges and chief district court judges. However, day-to-day civil calendar preparation is the clerk's responsibility in all districts except those served by trial court administrators.

Expenditures

A total of $50,954,569 was expended in 1987-88 for the operation of the 100 clerk of superior court offices. In addition to the salaries and other expenses of the clerks and their staffs, this total includes expenditures for jurors' fees, and witness expenses.

Total expenditures for clerks' offices in 1987-88 amounted to 30.8% of the General Fund expenditures for the operations of the entire Judicial Department.

1987-88 Caseload

During 1987-88, estate case filings totalled 45,013 which represents a 4.0% increase over the 43,285 case filed in 1986-87. Estate case dispositions totalled 43,288 cases in 19876-88, or 2.9% more than the previous year's total of 42,070.

A total of 41,881 special proceedings was filed before the 100 clerks of superior courts in 1987-88. This is an increase of 2,595 cases (6.6%) from the 39,286 filings in the previous fiscal years. Special proceedings dispositions totalled 37,951 cases, or 17.5% more than the previous year's total of 32,309.

The clerks of superior court are also responsible for handling the records of all case filings and dispositions in the superior and district courts. The total number of superior court case filings during the 1987-88 year was 105,704 and the total number of district court filings, not including juvenile proceedings and mental hospital commitment hearings, was 2,004,447.

More detailed information on the estates and special proceedings caseloads is included in Part IV of this Report.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

Juvenile Services Division

The Juvenile Services Division of the Administrative Office of the Courts provides intake, probation and aftercare services to juveniles who are before the District Courts for delinquent matters, *i.e.*, violations of the criminal code, including motor vehicle violations; and for undisciplined matters, such as running away from home, being truant, and being beyond the parents' disciplinary control.

Intake is the screening of complaints alleging delinquent or undisciplined behavior by children, to determine whether petitions should be filed. During the 1987-88 year a total of 28,906 complaints were brought to the attention of intake counselors. Of this number, 19,002 (66%) were approved for filing, and 9,904 (34%) were not approved for filing.

Probation and aftercare refer to supervision of children in their own communities. Probation is authorized by judicial order. Aftercare service is provided for juveniles after their release from a training school. (Protective supervision is also a form of court-ordered supervision within the community; and this service is combined with probation and aftercare.)

In 1987-88 a total of 17,086 juveniles were supervised in the probation and aftercare program.

Expenditures

The Juvenile Services Division is State-funded. The expenditures for fiscal year 1987-88 totalled $11,334,027. This was an increase of 7.8% over the 1986-87 expenditures. The 1987-88 expenditures amounted to 6.8% of all General Fund expenditures for the operation of the entire Judicial Department, close to the same percentage share of total Judicial Department expenditures for the Division as in the previous fiscal year.

Administration

The Administrator of the Juvenile Services Division is appointed by the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts. A chief court counselor is appointed for each judicial district by the Administrator of the Juvenile Services Division, with the approval of the Chief District Court Judge and the Administrative Officer of the Courts. Subject to the Administrator's general supervision, each chief court counselor exercises administrative supervision over the operation of the court counseling services in the respective districts.

Juvenile Services Division Staff
(As of June 30, 1988)

Thomas A. Danek, *Administrator*

Nancy C. Patteson, *Area Administrator*

Edward F. Taylor, *Area Administrator*

John T. Wilson, *Area Administrator*

Rex B. Yates, *Area Administrator*

M. Harold Rogerson, Jr., *Program Specialist*

Arlene J. Kincaid, *Administrative Officer*

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

Juvenile Service Division
(As of June 30, 1988)

Judicial District	Chief Court Counselors	Judicial District	Chief Court Counselors
1	Donald Alexander	16	Robert H. Hughes
2	Joseph A. Paul	17A and 17B	Martha M. Lauten
3	Eve C. Rogers	18	J. Manley Dodson
4	Ida Ray Miles	19A and 19B	James C. Queen
5	Phyllis Roebuck	20	Jimmy L. Craig
6	John R. Brady	21	James J. Weakland
7	Pam Honeycutt	22	Carl T. Duncan
8	Lynn C. Sasser	23	C. Wayne Dixon
9	Cecil T. Lewis, Jr.	24	Lynn Hughes
10	Larry C. Dix	25	Lee Cox
11	Henry C. Cox	26	James A. Yancey
12	Phil T. Utley	27A	Charles Reeves
13	Jimmy E. Godwin	27B	Gloria Newman
14	Fred Elkins	28	Louis Parrish
15A	Harry L. Derr	29	Kenneth E. Lanning
15B	Donald Hargrove	30	Betty G. Alley

THE COURT COUNSELORS ASSOCIATION
(Officers for 1987-88)

Executive Committee Members

Carey Collins *President*

Carl Duncan, *President-Elect*

Pat Wolfe, *Seretary*

Dennis Cotten, *Treasurer*

Amie Haith, *Parliamentarian*

Board Members

1985-88	1986-89	1987-90
Jane Clare	Richard Alligood	Gloria Newman
Bruce Stanback	Marion Brewer	Blake Belcher
	Anne Loy	Charles Reeves

Carey Collins

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

Office of Guardian Ad Litem Services

Program Services

When a peition alleging abuse or neglect of a juvenile is filed in district court, the judge appoints a trained volunteer guardian ad litem and an attorney advocate to work together to represent the child's best interests. The attorney protects the child's legal rights while ensuring that the volunteer guardian has appropriate access to the court process. The trained volunteer investigates the child's situation and works with the attorney to report the child's needs to the court and to make recommendations for case disposition and any necessary continuing supervision until court intervention is no longer required. During 1987-88, a total of 989 volunteers were active in the North Carolina program and represented a total of 5,011 abused and neglected children. These volunteers participated in 5,434 court hearings and gave approximately 75,000 volunteer hours to casework and training in the State's guardian ad litem program.

Expenditures

During 1987-88, total expenditures for the guardian ad litem program amounted to $1,332,851. Of this amount, $514,257 was for program attorney fees and $818,594 was for program administration. The total included reimbursement of volunteers' expense of $41,158 (covering 64,752 casework hours for 5,011 abused and neglected children). This compares with 1986-87 total expenditure of $1,117,720, with 755 volunteers representing, 3,837 children and providing 37,444 casework hours with reimbursement expenses of $28,778.

Administration

The Office of Guardian Ad Litem Services, established by the General Assembly in 1983, is a division of the Administrative Office of the Courts. The Director of the Administrative Offie of the Courts appoints the Administrator of the Office of Guardian Ad Litem Service and appoints members of a Guardian Ad Litem Advisory Committee to work with the Administrator, who is responsible for planning and directing the guardian ad litem services program through the State.

The Administrator is assisted by two regional managers, each of whom supervises the development and implementation of services for a segment of judicial districts, directing the local program, providing assistance in training programs for volunteers, and resolving operational problems in the districts.

A coordinator is employed for 30 of the State's 34 judicial districts to recruit, screen, train and supervise volunteers. Seven of these coordinators were added in fiscal year 1987-88. Program coordinators contact community groups, local agencies, the courts, and the media in order to develop volunteer participation, solicit support from key officials, provide public education about the program, and cultivate services for children. The coordinators plan an initial sixteen-hour training course for new veolunteers, match children (who are before the courts) with volunteers, implement continued training for experienced guardians, and provide supervision of, and consultation and support to, volunteers. Other coordinator responsibilities are to assure that in each case the attorney receives information from the volunteer assigned to the case and that the court receives timely oral or written reports each time a child's case is heard. (Coordinators were not employed during 1987-88 for four judicial districts in which the case load was too small to justify a coordinator position. In those counties, the contract attorney served as the volunteer coordinator.)

Guardian Ad Litem Staff
(As of June 30, 1988)

Virginia C. Weisz, *Administrator*
Cindy Mays, *Regional Manager*
Marilyn Stevens, *Regional Manager*

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

Guardian ad Litem Division
(As of June 30, 1988)

Judicial District	Coordinator	Judicial District	Coordinator
1	Veola Spivey	15A	Eleanor Ketcham
2	Jennifer Leggett	15B & 19B	Floyd Wicker
3	Carol Mattocks	16	Gladys Pierce
4	Jean Hawley	18	Sam Parrish
5	Jane Brister	19A	Amy Collins
6	Patsey Moseley-Moss	20	Martha Sue Hall
7	Sandra Pittman	21	Linda Garrou
8	Claudia Kadis	22	Pam Ashmore
9	Sarah Sponenberg	25	Anglea Phillips
10	Lloyd Inman	26	Judi Strause
12	Brownie Smathers	27A & B	Sindy Waggoner
13	Pam Ward & Betty Buck	28 29	Jean Moore Barbara King
14	Cy Gurney Elkins	30	Celia Larson

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

Public Defenders

During 1987-88, there were seven public defender offices in North Carolina, serving Judicial Districts 3,* 12, 15B, 18, 26, 27A, and 28. The public defender for each district is appointed by the senior resident superior court judge of that district from a list of not less than two and not more than three names nominated by written ballot of the attorneys resident in the district who are licensed to practice law in North Carolina. Their terms are four years. Each public defender is by statute provided a minimum of one full-time assistant public defender and additional full-time or part-time assistants as may be authorized by the Administrative Office of the Courts.

Entitlement of Indigents to Counsel

A person is determined to be indigent if he is found "financially unable to secure legal representation." He is entitled to State-paid legal representation in: any proceeding which may result in (or which seeks relief from) confinement; a fine of $500 or more; or extradition to another State; a proceeding alleging mental illness or incapacity which may result in hospitalization, sterilization, or the loss of certain property rights; and juvenile proceedings which may result in confinement, transfer to superior court for a felony trial, or termination of parental rights.

Most of the cases of State-paid representation of indigents in the districts with public defenders are handled by the public defender's office. However, the court may in certain circumstances—such as existence of a potential conflict of interest—assign private counsel to represent an indigent defendant. In the other 28 districts, the assigned private counsel system was the only one used.

Expenditures

A total of $4,087,252 was expended for the operation of the seven public defenders' offices during 1987-88. This was an increase of $467,041 (12.9%) over the 1986-87 total of $3,620,211.

1987-88 Caseload

The seven public defender offices disposed of cases involving a total of 24,956 defendents during 1987-88. This was an increase of 1,669 defendants, or 7.2%, over the 23,287 defendants represented during 1986-87.

Additional information concerning the operation of these offices is found in Part III of this *Annual Report*.

PUBLIC DEFENDERS
(As of June 30, 1988)

*District 3
Robert L. Shoffner, Greenville

District 12
Mary Ann Tally, Fayetteville

District 15B
John Kirk Osborn, Chapel Hill

District 18
Wallace G. Harrelson, Greensboro

District 26
Isabel S. Day, Charlotte

District 27A
Rowell C. Cloninger, Jr., Gastonia

District 28
J. Robert Hufstader, Asheville

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*The public defender serves only two counties of the four in District 3: Pitt and Carteret.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

Public Defenders

The Association of Public Defenders
(Officers as of June 30, 1988)

Marc D. Towler, *President*

James Williams, *Vice President*

Frederick Lind, *Secretary-Treasurer*

Marc D. Towler

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

The Office of the Appellate Defender

(Staff as of June 30, 1988)

Malcolm Ray Hunter, Jr., *Appellate Defender*

Assistant Appellate Defenders

Louis D. Bilionis
David W. Dorey
Staples S. Hughes
Teresa McHugh
Mark D. Montgomery
Daniel R. Pollitt
M. Gordon Widenhouse

The Appellate Defender Office began operation as a State-funded program on October 1, 1981. (Prior to that date, appellate defender services were funded by a one-year federal grant.) The 1985 General Assembly made permanent The Appellate Defender Office by repealing its expiration provision. In accord with the assignments made by trial court judges, it is the responsibility of the Appellate Defender and his staff to provide criminal defense appellate services to indigent persons who are appealing their convictions to the N. C. Supreme Court, the N. C. Court of Appeals, or to Federal courts.

The Appellate Defender is appointed by, and carries out his duties under the general supervision of the Chief Justice. The Chief Justice may, consistent with the resources available to the Appellate Defender and to insure quality criminal defense services, authorize certain appeals to be assigned to a local public defender office or to private assigned counsel instead of to the Appellate Defender.

1987-88 Caseload

As of July 1, 1987, the Appellate Defender had 82 cases pending in the Supreme Court of North Carolina. During the 1987-88 year, a total of 52 additional appeals to the Supreme Court were assigned to the Appellate Defender's Office, and during that year a total of 51 cases were disposed of. This left 83 cases pending as of June 30, 1988. During the 1987-88 year, the Appellate Defender and his staff filed a total of 48 briefs in the Supreme Court.

As of July 1, 1987, the Appellate Defender had 113 cases pending in the North Carolina Court of Appeals. During the 1987-88 year, a total of 79 additional appeals to the Court of Appeals were assigned to the Appellate Defender's Office, and during that year, a total of 111 cases were disposed of. This left 81 cases pending as of June 30, 1988. The Appellate Defender and his staff filed a total of 68 briefs in the Court of Appeals during the 1987-88 year.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

The North Carolina Courts Commission

(Members as of June 30, 1988)

Appointed by the Governor

Jonathan L. Rhyne, Jr., Lincolnton, *Chairman*
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Clyde M. Roberts, Marshall

Garland N. Yates, Asheboro
District Attorney

Warren Owen, Charlotte

Harold J. Long, Yadkinville
Clerk of Court

Dan R. Simpson, Morganton
Member, N. C. State Senate

Appointed by President of the Senate (Lieutenant Governor)

Anthony E. Rand, Fayetteville
Member, N.C. Senate

Russell J. Hollers Troy

Henson P. Barnes, Goldsboro
Member, N.C. Senate

Alfred M. Goodwin, Louisburg

R.C. Soles, Jr., Tabor City
Member, N. C. Senate

Lillian O. Briant, Asheboro

Ex-Officio (Non-Voting)

O. William Faison, Raleigh
N.C. Bar Association Representative

Z. Creighton Brinson, Tarboro
N.C. State Bar Representative

Franklin E. Freeman, Jr., Raleigh
Administrative Officer of the Courts

Appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives

Daniel T. Blue, Jr., Raleigh
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Robert C. Hunter, Marion
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Ralph S. Knott, Louisburg
Clerk of Court

Roy A. Cooper, III, Rocky Mount
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Robert C. Hunter, Marion
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Dennis A. Wicker, Sanford
Member, N.C. House of Representatives

Appointed by the Chief Justice of the N.C. Supreme Court

Burley B. Mitchell, Jr., Raleigh
Associate Justice, N.C. Supreme Court

Clifton E. Johnson, Charlotte
Judge, N.C. Court of Appeals

J. Milton Reed, Jr., Durham
Superior Court Judge

Forrest A. Ferrell, Hickory
Superior Court Judge

Nicholas Long, Roanoke Rapids
District Court Judge

Samuel McD. Tate, Morganton
District Court Judge

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

The North Carolina Courts Commission

The North Carolina Courts Commission was reestablished by the 1979 General Assembly "to make continuing studies of the structure, organization, jurisdiction, procedures and personnel of the Judicial Department and of the General Court of Justice and to make recommendations to the General Assembly for such changes therein as will facilitate the administration of justice". Initially, the Commission was comprised of 15 voting members, with five each appointed by the Governor, the President of the Senate (Lieutenant Governor), and the Speaker of the House. The Commission also had three *ex officio* members as shown above.

The 1981 General Assembly amended the statutes pertaining to the Courts Commission, to increase the number of voting members from 15 to 23, with the Governor to appoint seven voting members, the President of the Senate to appoint eight voting members, and the Speaker of the House to appoint eight voting members. The non-voting *ex officio* members remained the same: a representative of the North Carolina Bar Association, a representative of the North Carolina State Bar, and the Administrative Officer of the Courts.

The 1983 Session of the General Assembly further amended G.S. 7A-506, to revise the voting membership of the Commission. Effective July 1, 1983, the Commission consists of 24 voting members, six to be appointed by the Governor; six to be appointed by the Speaker of the House; six to be appointed by the President of the Senate; and six to be appointed by the Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court. The Governor continues to appoint the Chairman of the Commission, from among its legislative members. The non-voting *ex officio* membership of three persons remains the same.

Of the six appointees of the Chief Justice, one is to be a Justice of the Supreme Court, one is to be a Judge of the Court of Appeals, two are to be judges of superior court, and two are to be judges of district court.

Of the six appointees of the Governor, one is to be a district attorney, one a practicing attorney, one a clerk of superior court, and three are to be members or former members of the General Assembly and at least one of these shall not be an attorney.

Of the six appointees of the Speaker of the House, at least three are to be practicing attorneys, and three are to be members or formers members of the General Assembly, and at least one of these three is not to be an attorney.

Of the six appointees of the President of the Senate, at least three are to be practicing attorneys, three are to be members or former members of the General Assembly, and at least one is to be a magistrate.

During the 1987-88 year the Courts Commission had a total of five meetings: October 30, 1987; February 26, March 25, April 22, and May 6, 1988. All meetings were held in Raleigh. Topics considered during the year were:

(1) alternative resolution programs, including mediation, arbitration, and summary jury trials; (2) securing competent legal counsel for all indigent defendants in criminal cases and providing adequate compensation for counsel for indigents; (3) the infractions law: (4) proposed legislation to delete obsoltet language from the statutes on cross-indexing of judgments and lis pendens: (5) proposed legislation to clarify magistrates' guilty plea jurisdiction; (6) proposed legislation to secure reimbursement of expenses of counsel for indigent defendants.

The Commission unanimously voted to endorse the proposed legislation relating to cross-indexing of judgments and lis pendens and relating to magistrates' guilty plea jurisdiction, for consideration at the 1988 short legislative session (if the proposals could, under regular legislative rules, be taken up at the 1988 session). In addition, at its May 6, 1988 meeting the Commission approved two resolutions to be submitted to Legislative officials at the 1988 Session. One resolution endorsed and recommended adequate funding of the indigent defense fund and the other resolution recommended expansion of the indigent screening program.

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

The Judicial Standards Commission

(Members as of June 30, 1988)

Appointed by the Chief Justice

Court of Appeals Judge Gerald Arnold, Fuquay-Varina, *Chairman*

Superior Court Judge James M. Long, Pilot Mountain

District Court Judge W. S. Harris, Jr., Graham

Appointed by the Governor

Pamela S. Gaither, Charlotte, *Secretary*

Albert E. Partridge, Jr., Concord

Elected by the Council of the N.C. State Bar

Rivers D. Johnson, Jr., Warsaw, *Vice Chairman*

Louis J. Fisher, Jr., High Point

Deborah R. Carrington, *Executive Secretary*

Judge Gerald Arnold

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS IN 1987-88

THE JUDICIAL STANDARDS COMMISSION

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

The Judicial Standards Commission was established by the General Assembly pursuant to a constitutional amendment approved by the voters at the general election in November 1972.

Upon recommendation of the Commission, the Supreme Court may censure or remove any judge for willful misconduct in office, willful and persistent failure to perform his duties, habitual intemperance, conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude, or conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice that brings the judicial office into disrepute. In addition, upon recommendation of the Commission, the Supreme Court may remove any judge for mental or physical incapacity interfering with the performance of his duties, which is, or is likely to become, permanent.

Where a recommendation for censure or removal involves a justice of the Supreme Court, the recommendation and supporting record is filed with the Court of Appeals which has and proceeds under the same authority for censure or removal of a judge. Such a proceeding would be heard by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals and the six judges senior in service, excluding the Court of Appeals judge who by law serves as the Chairman of the Judicial Standards Commission.

In addition to a recommendation of censure or removal, the Commission also utilizes a disciplinary measure known as a reprimand. The reprimand is a mechanism administratively developed for dealing with inquiries where the conduct does not warrant censure or removal, but where some action is justified. Since the establishment of the Judicial Standards Commission in 1973, reprimands have been issued in fifteen instances covering 21 inquiries.

During the July 1, 1987 - Jjne 30, 1988 fiscal year, the Judicial Standards Commission met on July 10, October 16, December 18, March 25, and June 10.

A complaint or other information against a judge, whether filed with the Commission or initiated by the Commission on its own motion, is designated as an "Inquiry Concerning a Judge." Thirty such inquiries were pending as of July 1, 1987, and 98 inquiries were filed during the fiscal year, giving the Commission a total workload of 128 inquiries.

During the fiscal year, the Commission disposed of 113 inquiries, and 15 inquiries remained pending at the end of the fiscal year.

The determinations of the Commission regarding the 113 inquiries disposed of during the fiscal year were as follows:

(1) 93 inquiries were determined to involve evidentiary rulings, length of sentences, or other matters not within the Commission's jurisdiction rather than questions of judicial misconduct;
(2) two inquiries were determined to involve allegations of conduct which did not rise to such a level as would warrant investigation by the Commission;
(3) three inquiries were consolidated with two other matters in which investigations had been ordered;
(4) 14 inquiries were determined to warrant no further action following completion of preliminary investigations; and
(5) one inquiry resulted in a recommendation of censure.

Of the 15 inquiries pending at the end of the fiscal year:

(1) five inquiries were awaiting initial review by the Commission; and
(2) ten inquiries were awaiting completion of a preliminary investigation or were subject to other action by the Commission.

PART III

COURT RESOURCES

- Financial
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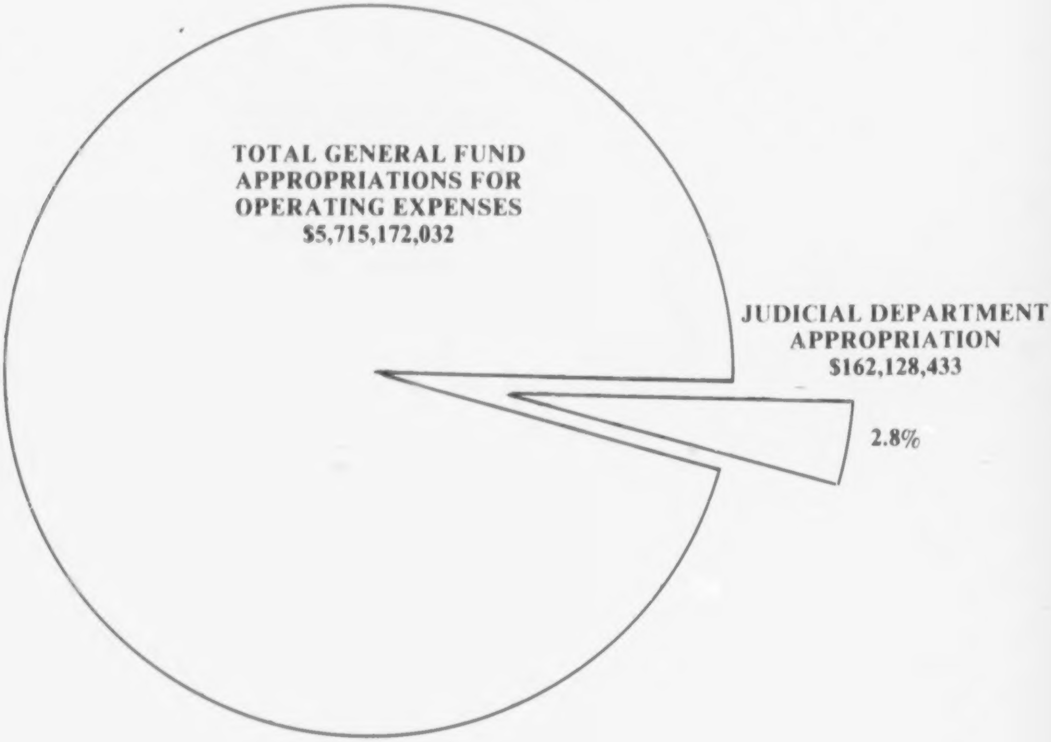
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Under the State Constitution the operating expenses of the Judicial Department (all North Carolina courts) "other than compensation to process servers and other locally paid non-judicial officers" are required to be paid from State funds. It is customary legislative practice for the General Assembly to include appropriations for the operating expenses of all three branches of State government in a single budget bill, for a two-year period ending on June 30 of the odd-numbered years. The budget for the second year of the biennium is generally modified during the even-year legislative session.

Building facilities for the appellate courts are provided by State funds, but, by statute, the county governments are required to provide from county funds for adequate facilities for the trial courts within each of the 100 counties.

Appropriations from the State's General Fund for operating expenses for all departments and agencies of State government, including the Judicial Department, totalled $5,715,172,032 for the 1987-88 fiscal year. (Appropriations from the Highway Fund and appropriations from the General Fund for capital improvements and debt servicing are not included in this total.)

The appropriation from the General Fund for the operating expenses of the Judicial Department for 1987-88 was $161,128,433. (This included $2,532,298 for accrued attorney fees for indigent defendants paid in July 1988.) As illustrated in the chart below, this General Fund appropriation for the Judicial Department comprised 2.8% of the General Fund appropriations for the operating expenses of all State agencies and departments.



JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

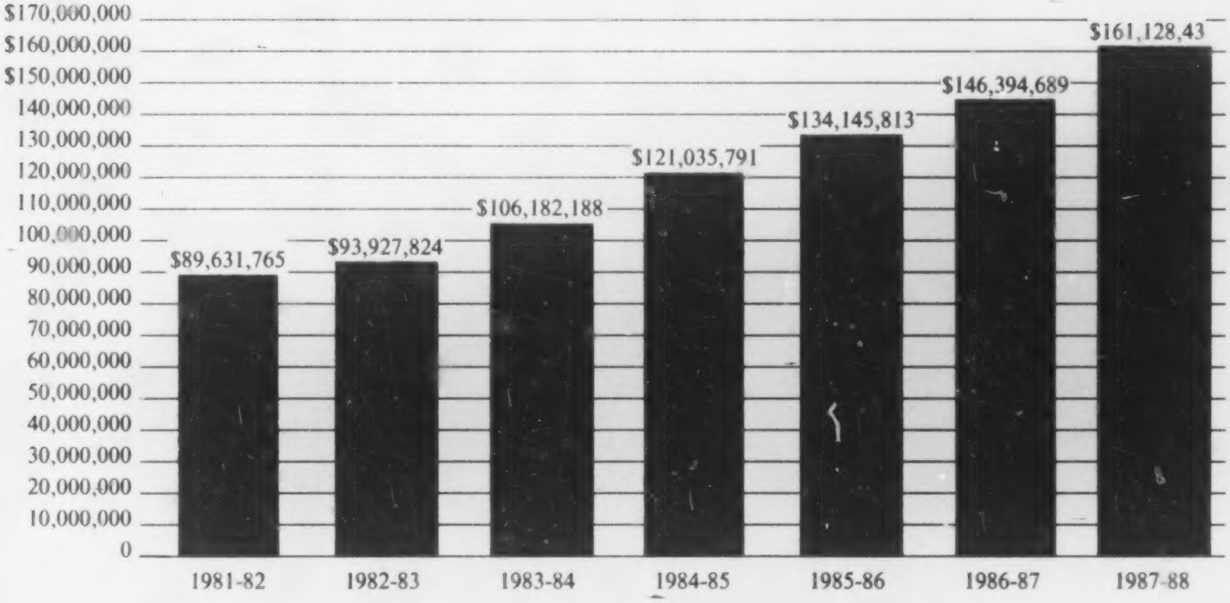
Appropriation from the State's general fund for operating expenses of the Judicial Department over the past seven fiscal years are shown in the table below and in the graph at the top of the following page. For comparative purposes, appropriations from the general fund for operating expenses of all State agencies and departments (including the Judicial Department) for the last seven fiscal years are also shown in the table below and in the second graph on the following page.

APPROPRIATIONS FROM GENERAL FUND FOR OPERATING EXPENSES

	Judicial Department		All State Agencies	
Fiscal Year	**Appropriation**	**% Increase over previous year**	**Appropriation**	**% Increase over previous year**
1981-1982	89,631,765	8.08	3,327,829,978	7.94
1982-1983	93,927,824	4.79	3,477,547,375	4.50
1983-1984	106,182,188	13.05	3,686,800,774	6.02
1984-1985	121,035,791	13.99	4,237,230,681	14.93
1985-1986	134,145,813	10.83	4,780,073,721	12.81
1986-1987	146,394,689	9.13	5,153,322,580	7.81
1987-1988	161,128,433	10.06	5,715,172,032	10.90
AVERAGE ANNUAL INCREASE, 1982-1988		**9.99%**		**9.27%**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

General Fund Appropriations for Operating Expenses Of the Judicial Department, 1981-82 — 1987-88



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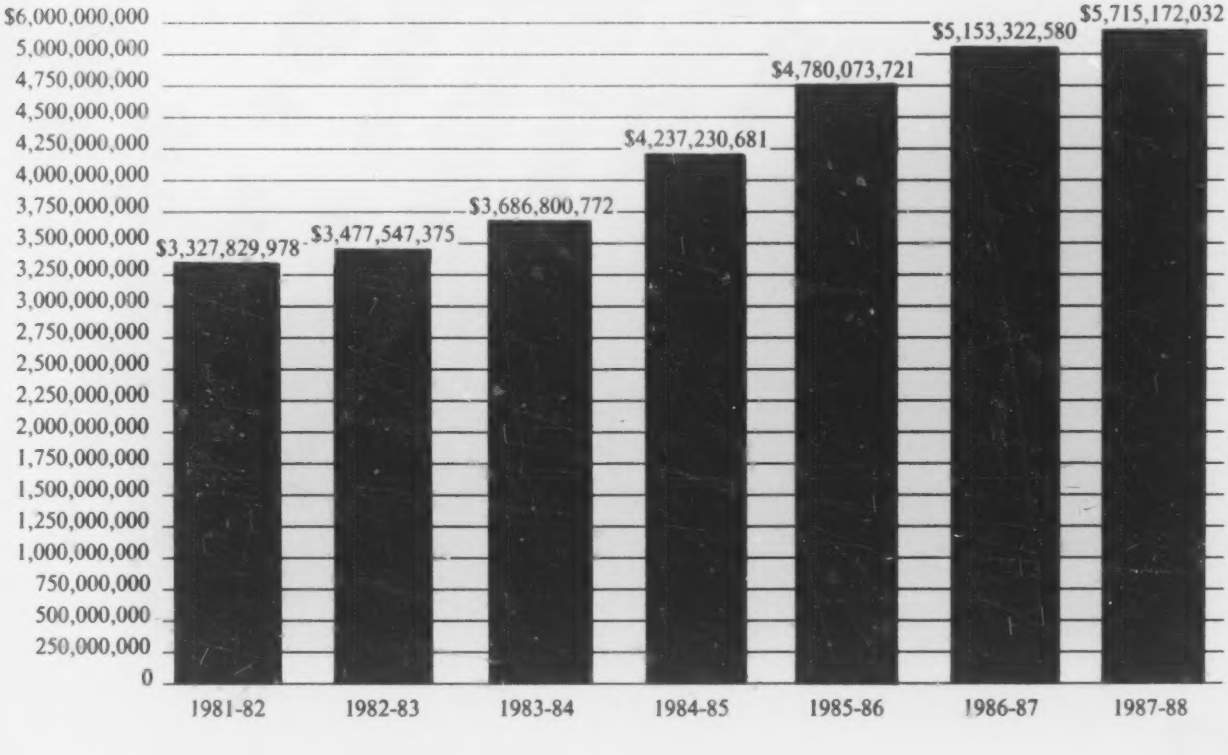


JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES
Expenditures July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

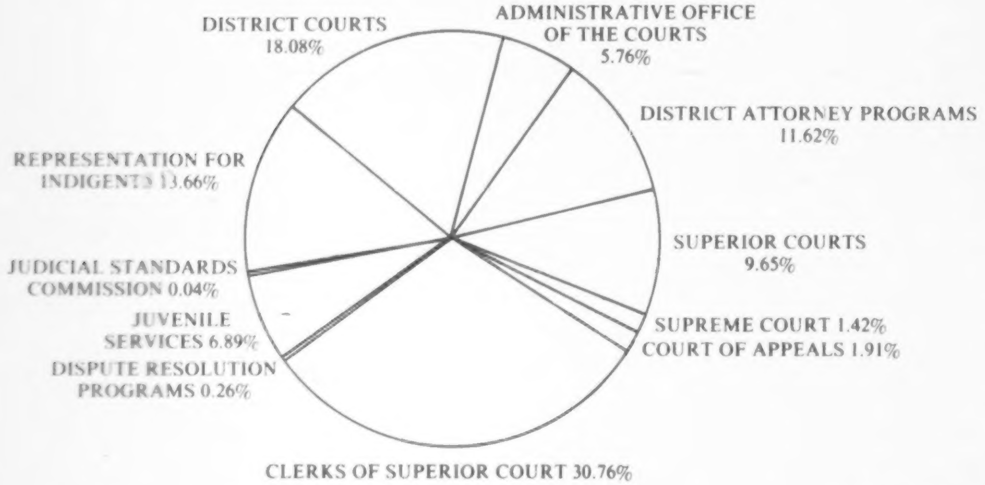
General Fund expenditures for operating expenses of the Judicial Department during the 1987-88 fiscal year totalled $165,637,346, divided among the major budget classifications as shown below.

	Amount	% of Total
Supreme Court	$ 2,352,654	1.42
Court of Appeals	3.159.393	1.91
Superior Courts	15,978,747	9.65
District Courts	29,939,853	18.08
Clerks of Superior Court	50,954,569	30.76
Juvenile Probation and Aftercare	11,334,027	6.84
Juvenile Probation and Aftercare $11,326,022		
Model Juvenile Court Project $8,005		
Representation for Indigents	22,626,046	13.66
Assigned private counsel $15,158,686		
Guardian *ad litem* for juveniles $105,210		
Guardian *ad litem*—volunteer and contract program $1,332,851		
Public defenders $4,087,252		
Special counsel at mental hospitals $237,471		
Support services (expert witness fees, professional examinations, transcripts) $706,953		
Appellate Defender Services $521,177		
Indigency Screening $353,380		
N.C. death Penalty Resources Center $97,900		
Permanent Families Task Force $23,311		
Reasonable Efforts Program $1,855		
District Attorney Offices	19,249,255	11.62
Office-District Attorney $19,014,218		
District Attorneys' Conference $100,943		
Prosecution Management System $23.166		
Victim Assistance, $51,519		
Narcotics Prosecution Program $59,409		
Administrative Office of the Courts	9,538,734	5.76
General Administration $4,061,052		
Information Services $5,135,768		
Warehouse & Printing $341,914		
Judicial Standards Commission	72,144	.04
Pilot Programs	432,934	.26
Custody Mediation Pilot $98,370		
Dispute Settlement Center $248,961		
Arbitration Pilot Program $85,603		
TOTAL	**$165,637,346***	**100.0**

*General Fund expenditures exceeded General Fund appropriations by $4,508,913. This amount included operating receipts of $4,109,310 plus operating cash balances of $399,603.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

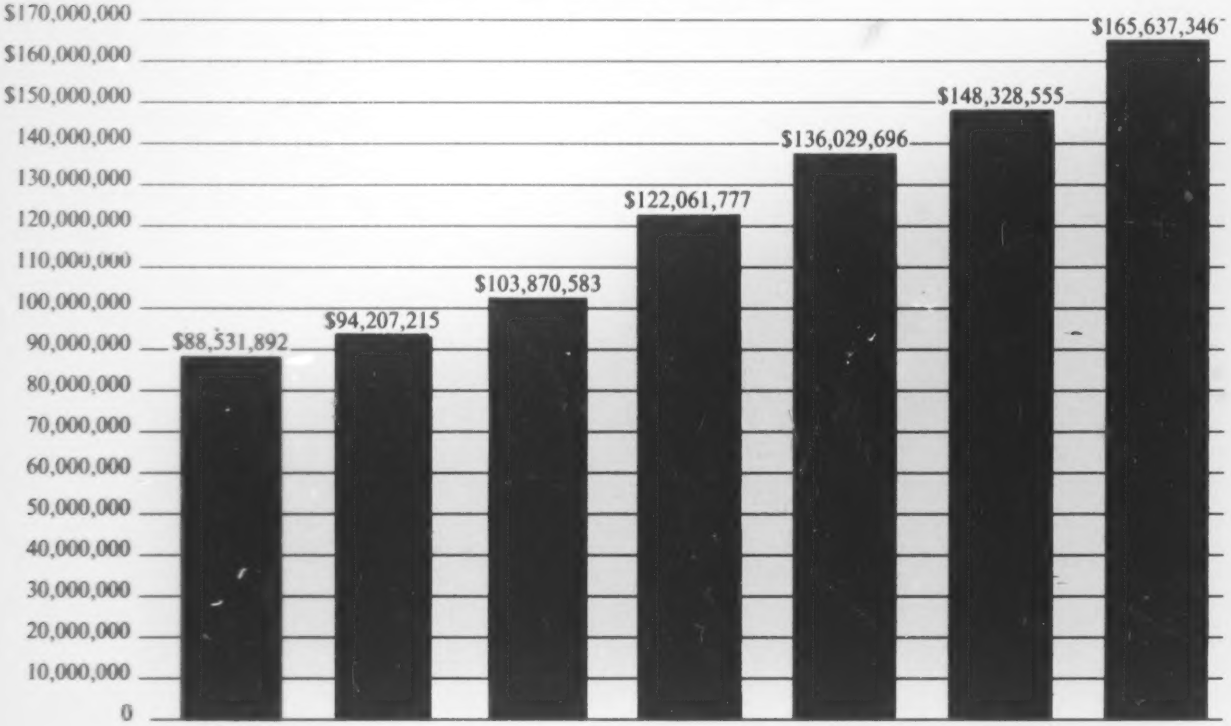
Expenditures, July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988



As the above chart illustrates, most (70.11%) of Judicial Department expenditures goes for operation of the State's trial courts: operation of superior courts took 9.7% of total expenditures; operation of the district courts (including magistrates, judges and court reporters) took 18.08% of the total; the clerks' office, 30.76% of the total; and district attorneys programs, 11.62% of total Judicial Department expenditures.

The total General Fund expenditures of $165,637,346 for 1987-88 represents a 10.06% increase over expenditures of $148,328,555 in 1986-87.

General Fund Expenditures For The Judicial Department
Fiscal Year 1981-82 — 1987-88



JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

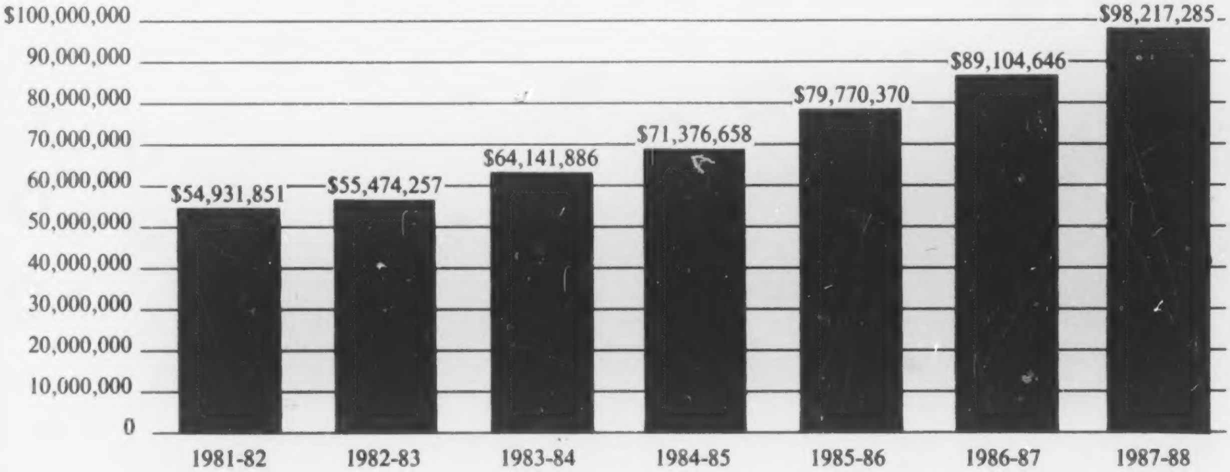
Department Receipts
July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

Receipts for the Judicial Department in the 1987-88 fiscal year totalled $98,217,285. The several sources of these receipts are shown in the table below. As in the previous years, the major source of receipts were General Court of Justice Fees paid by litigants in superior and district court.

Source of Receipts	**Amount**	**% of Total**
Supreme Court Fees	$ 8,176	.01
Court of Appeals Fees	33,570	.04
Miscellaneous	128,562	.13
Sales of Appellate Division Reports	268,509	.27
Grants	294,182	.30
Department of Crime Control	434,834	.44
1986-87 Equipment Obligation Carryover	696,991	.71
Jail Fees	836,023	.85
Ten-Day License Revocation Fees	1,094,900	1.12
Interest on Checking Account	1,014,178	1.03
Federal-Child Support Enforcement	2,209,591	2.25
Indigent Representation Judgments	2,354,741	2.40
Officer Fees	5,351,748	5.45
LEOB Fees	7,466,250	7.60
Judicial Facilities Fees	7,804,677	7.95
Fines and Forfeitures	28,251,540	28.76
General Court of Justice Fees	39,968,813	40.69
Total	**$ 98,217,285**	**100.00%**

This total of $98,217,285 is an increase of 10.2% over total 1986-87 receipts of $89,104,646. The graph below has been restated to reflect all Judicial Department receipts.

Judicial Department Receipts, 1981-82 — 1987-88



JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Distribution of Judicial Department Receipts (July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988)

As required by the State Constitution, fines, penalties and forfeitures collected by the courts in criminal cases are distributed to the respective counties in which the cases are tried. These funds must be used by the counties for the support of the public schools.

A uniform schedule of court costs for civil and criminal cases, comprising of a variety of fees, is set by statute for cases filed in the superior and district courts. Statutes prescribe the distribution of these fees and provide that certain fees shall be devoted to specific uses. For example, a facilities fee is included in court costs when costs are assessed, and this fee is paid over to the respective county or municipality which provided the facility used in the case. These fees must be utilized by the counties and municipalities to provide and maintain courtrooms and related judicial facilities.

Officer fees (for arrest or service of process) are included, where applicable, in the cost of each case filed in the trial courts. If a municipal officer performed these services in a case, the fee is paid over to the respective municipality. Otherwise, all officer fees are paid to the respective counties in which the cases are filed.

A jail fee is included in the costs of each case where applicable; these fees are distributed to the respective county or municipality whose facilities were used. Most jail facilities in the State are provided by the counties.

A fee for the Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund is included as a part of court costs when costs are assessed in a criminal case. As required by statute, the Judicial Department remits these fees to the State Treasurer, for deposit in the Law Enforcement Officers Benefit and Retirement Fund.

Except as indicated, all superior and district court costs collected by the Judicial Department are paid into the State's General Fund, as are appellate court fees and proceeds from the sales of appellate division reports.

When private counsel or a public defender is assigned to represent an indigent defendant in a criminal case, the trial judge sets the money value for the services rendered. If the defendant is convicted, a judgment lien is entered against him for such amount. Collections on these judgments are paid into and retained by the department to defray the costs of legal representation of indigents.

Proceeds from the ten-day driver license revocation fee, which driving-while-impaired offenders must pay to recover their driver licenses, are distributed to the counties.

Starting this fiscal year, the Federal Government funds a portion of child support enforcement costs.

	Amount	% of Total
Remitted to State Treasurer		
Supreme Court Fees	$ 8,176	.01
Court of Appeals Fees	33,570	.04
Sales of Appellate Division Reports	268,509	.27
LEOB Fees	7,466,250	7.60
General Court of Justice Fees	39,968,813	40.69
Federal-Child Support Enforcement	2,009,591	2.05
Total to State Treasurer	**49,754,909**	**50.66**
Distributed to Counties		
Fines and Forfeitures	28,251,540	28.76
Judicial Facilities Fees	7,432,973	7.57
Officer Fees	3,389,248	3.45
Jail Fees	832,025	.85
Ten-Day License Revocation Fees	1,094,900	1.12
Total to Counties	**41,000,686**	**41.75**
Distributed to Counties and Beneficiaries		
Interest on Checking Accounts	**1,014,178**	**1.03**
Distributed to Municipalities		
Judicial Facilities Fees	371,704	.38
Officer Fees	1,962,500	2.00
Jail Fees	3,998	—
Total to Municipalities	**2,338,202**	**2.38**
Operating Receipts		
Collection on Indigent Representation Judgments	2,354,741	2.40
1986-87 Equipment Obligation Carryover	696,991	.71
Department of Crime Control	434,834	.44
Grants	294,182	.30
Federal-Child Supoport Enforcement	200,000	.20
Miscellaneous	128,562	.13
Total to Municipalities	**4,109,310**	**4.18**
GRAND TOTAL	**$98,217,285**	**100.00%**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Amounts of Fees, Fines and Forfeitures Collected by the Courts and Distributed to Counties and Municipalities*
July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Distributed to Counties				Distributed to Municipalities			
County	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Fines and Forfeitures	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Total
Alamance	117,043	56,322	26,067	536,738	-0-	28,944	-0-	765,114
Alexander	24,524	10,023	5,952	121,592	-0-	568	-0-	162,659
Alleghany	9,773	5,670	3,610	48,503	-0-	558	-0-	68,114
Anson	37,580	23,031	1,537	218,276	-0-	1,490	-0-	281,914
Ashe	16,700	12,938	2,275	70,070	-0-	685	-0-	102,668
Avery	16,577	10,601	369	68,320	-0-	1,016	-0-	96,883
Beaufort	64,515	50,107	22,493	242,689	-0-	10,903	-0-	390,707
Bertie	23,852	19,405	1,517	82,318	-0-	596	-0-	127,688
Bladen	40,807	30,558	630	151,067	1,015	1,520	-0-	225,597
Brunswick	50,429	28,884	5,858	171,876	1,955	2,001	-0-	261,003
Buncombe	202,610	124,899	2,962	778,288	-0-	39,568	-0-	1,148,327
Burke	82,106	38,671	8,661	315,402	-0-	8,984	-0-	453,824
Cabarrus	99,254	53,669	30,411	466,903	8,529	39,453	-0-	698,219
Caldwell	74,187	29,380	3,328	308,808	-0-	14,106	-0-	429,809
Camden	6,718	5,236	1,056	34,770	-0-		-0-	47,780
Carteret	71,584	35,224	1,557	223,497	-0-	17,245	-0-	349,107
Caswell	23,430	19,122	2,347	117,689	-0-		-0-	162,588
Catawba	70,197	50,450	10,579	580,108	66,583	34,259	-0-	812,176
Chatham	41,861	39,238	5,989	214,536	11,262	2,025	175	315,086
Cherokee	23,193	20,081	5,112	122,148	-0-	2,356	10	172,900
Chowan	15,469	11,224	537	44,071	-0-	2,380	-0-	73,681
Clay	6,313	4,700	2,357	33,688	-0-		-0-	47,058
Cleveland	87,524	37,495	23,550	336,563	-0-	9,694	-0-	494,826
Columbus	48,829	47,017	4,154	206,892	3,190	2,749	25	312,856
Craven	95,527	41,800	14,942	324,054	3,945	18,025	-0-	498,293
Cumberland	317,545	96,670	42,583	810,842	-0-	83,833	-0-	1,351,473
Currituck	20,189	15,771	2,933	112,016	-0-	-0-	-0-	150,909
Dare	64,228	30,170	8,702	407,724	-0-	20,092	-0-	530,916
Davidson	92,301	68,348	12,525	563,717	12,979	11,615	-0-	761,485
Davie	26,075	19,087	1,402	95,309	-0-	246	-0-	142,119
Duplin	44,590	23,298	8,826	187,517	-0-	828	280	265,339
Durham	277,285	87,887	13,908	977,418	-0-	94,155	-0-	1,450,653
Edgecombe	53,132	60,327	13,221	209,544	39,889	23,622	400	400,135
Forsyth	317,433	21,109	32,773	996,283	3,595	131,655	-0-	1,502,848
Franklin	34,384	22,301	4,972	146,286	-0-	623	-0-	208,566
Gaston	167,094	98,105	4,811	510,033	-0-	25,215	-0-	805,258
Gates	11,087	7,952	642	56,420	-0-	-0-	-0-	76,101
Graham	5,895	4,965	2,808	48,371	-0-	36	-0-	62,075
Granville	37,113	17,983	5,649	123,924	87	280	244	185,280
Greene	15,549	11,248	883	55,116	-0-	-0-	-0-	82,796
Guilford	429,295	51,555	7,541	978,604	-0-	155,900	-0-	1,622,895
Halifax	73,221	55,679	11,956	298,138	5,789	12,907	56	457,746
Harnett	53,692	40,638	12,164	282,146	10,063	4,174	170	403,047
Haywood	48,495	35,862	24,672	294,679	619	2,745	-0-	407,072
Henderson	63,215	34,607	12,041	259,031	130	3,252	-0-	372,276
Hertford	30,324	20,789	5,541	104,219	-0-	1,496	-0-	162,369
Hoke	33,515	22,475	15,167	202,665	-0-	1,956	-0-	275,778
Hyde	9,690	7,548	2,183	54,764	-0-		-0-	74,185
Iredell	90,514	43,989	12,829	424,297	14,314	18,344	254	604,541
Jackson	23,382	17,279	5,883	114,736	-0-		-0-	161,280

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Amounts of Fees, Fines and Forfeitures Collected by the Courts and Distributed to Counties and Municipalities*

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Distributed to Counties				Distributed to Municipalities			
County	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Fines and Forfeitures	Facility Fees	Officer Fees	Jail Fees	Total
Johnston	33,483	57,375	27,572	415,248	19,086	13,081	328	566,173
Jones	12,256	7,130	110	36,790	-0-	1,400	-0-	57,686
Lee	51,758	29,147	23,250	218,845	-0-	8,776	-0-	331,776
Lenoir	75,808	33,508	11,597	283,008	-0-	14,201	-0-	418,122
Lincoln	45,955	29,633	2,966	173,672	-0-	4,265	-0-	256,491
Macon	19,967	14,137	590	88,849	-0-	828	-0-	124,371
Madison	13,457	10,606	518	56,850	-0-	308	-0-	81,739
Martin	34,934	25,502	1,472	135,743	-0-	1,884	-0-	199,535
McDowell	34,618	20,995	1,245	186,699	-0-	4,224	-0-	247,781
Mecklenburg	686,967	76,383	8	1,965,699	-0-	428,668	-0-	3,157,725
Mitchell	9,649	6,056	1,624	39,515	-0-	828	-0-	57,672
Montgomery	36,446	26,513	5,675	143,070	-0-	3,308	-0-	215,012
Moore	61,630	41,232	4,331	337,157	4,225	9,144	-0-	457,719
Nash	60,187	68,078	9,132	312,572	54,264	25,792	1,014	531,039
New Hanover	175,913	40,813	4,524	525,609	-0-	46,448	-0-	793,307
Northampton	33,810	28,864	2,129	183,748	1,195	1,866	-0-	251,612
Onslow	153,711	73,232	22,619	519,180	-0-	61,518	-0-	830,260
Orange	52,427	42,635	8,195	273,554	27,813	15,339	254	420,217
Pamlico	10,120	8,168	740	148,043	-0-	-0-	-0-	167,071
Pasquotank	36,377	17,870	9,846	168,212	-0-	9,935	-0-	242,240
Pender	28,421	21,104	2,833	121,558	-0-	456	-0-	174,372
Perquimans	13,120	8,825	335	43,145	-0-	1,006	-0-	66,431
Person	28,708	20,790	2,708	122,365	-0-	3,561	-0-	178,132
Pitt	128,869	52,169	17,879	470,974	11,671	38,931	634	721,127
Polk	14,105	10,256	625	80,287	-0-	392	-0-	105,665
Randolph	89,752	76,730	5,590	392,899	2,825	11,624	-0-	579,420
Richmond	51,538	31,482	7,792	229,400	-0-	2,067	-0-	322,279
Robeson	98,228	80,380	15,231	551,114	35,386	29,005	145	809,489
Rockingham	75,978	38,836	6,017	525,944	20,702	20,171	-0-	687,648
Rowan	94,612	57,590	28,450	399,083	-0-	29,814	-0-	609,549
Rutherford	57,250	34,560	7,519	260,024	-0-	7,590	-0-	366,943
Sampson	63,824	44,690	8,339	267,228	-0-	4,396	-0-	388,477
Scotland	43,602	28,319	3,044	154,883	-0-	6,403	-0-	236,251
Stanly	40,981	14,643	3,806	228,548	-0-	8,928	-0-	296,906
Stokes	27,688	16,112	5,087	135,707	-0-	1,108	-0-	185,702
Surry	67,838	45,579	2,931	287,881	1,635	9,354	-0-	415,238
Swain	14,592	10,725	4,287	67,871	-0-	124	-0-	97,599
Transylvania	18,518	15,417	4,687	77,705	-0-	2,016	-0-	118,343
Tyrrell	13,770	11,092	1,365	43,216	-0-	-0-	-0-	69,443
Union	87,023	67,244	15,957	418,770	-0-	17,563	-0-	606,557
Vance	56,391	20,196	6,606	172,469	-0-	7,906	-0-	263,568
Wake	642,757	88,218	39,995	1,583,881	7,515	222,335	5	2,584,706
Warren	21,160	17,336	2,892	73,139	-0-	180	-0-	114,707
Washington	15,394	10,543	2,927	47,039	-0-	1,982	-0-	77,885
Watauga	31,610	19,117	3,174	107,677	-0-	4,576	-0-	166,154
Wayne	96,423	55,058	9,804	324,316	1,443	21,445	4	508,493
Wilkes	59,731	33,529	3,723	294,971	-0-	2,298	-0-	394,252
Wilson	80,393	51,089	7,202	212,500	-0-	21,608	-0-	372,792
Yadkin	30,952	20,735	18,345	168,711	-0-	1,472	-0-	240,215
Yancey	10,409	7,620	270	43,511	-0-	276	-0-	62,086
State Totals	**$7,432,973**	**$3,389,248**	**$832,025**	**$28,251,540**	**$371,704**	**$1,962,500**	**$3,998**	**$42,243,988**

*Facility and jail fees are distributed to the respective counties and municipalities which furnished the facilities. If the officer who made the arrest or served the process was employed by a municipality, the officer fee is distributed to the municipality; otherwise all officer fees are distributed to the respective counties. By provision of the State Constitution, fines and forfeitures collected by the courts within a county are distributed to that county for support of the public schools.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Cost and Case Data on Representation of Indigents
July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

The State provides legal counsel for indigent persons in a variety of actions and proceedings, as specified in the North Carolina General Statutes, Sections 7A-450 *et seq.* These include criminal proceedings, judicial hospitalization proceedings, juvenile proceedings which may result in commitment to an institution or transfer to superior court for trial as an adult. Legal representation for indigents may be by assignment of private counsel, by assignment of special public counsel (involving mental hospital commitments), or by assignment of a public defender.

Seven of North Carolina's judicial districts have an office of public defender: Districts 3, 12, 15B, 18, 26, 27A, and 28. The other 27 districts utilize only assignments of private counsel. Private counsel may also be assigned in the seven districts which have a public defender in the event of a conflict of interest involving the public defender's office and the indigent and in the event of unusual circumstances when, in the opinion of the court, the proper administration of justice requires the assignment of private counsel rather than the public defender in those cases.

The Appellate Defender Office began operation as a State-funded program on October 1, 1981. (Prior to October 1, 1981, appellate defender services were funded by a one-year federal grant.) Pursuant to assignments made by trial court judges, it is the responsibility of the Appellate Defender and his staff to provide criminal defense appellate services to indigent persons who are appealing their convictions to either the Supreme Court or the Court of Appeals. The Appellate Defender is under the general supervision of the Chief Justice. The Chief Justice may, consistent with the resources available to the Appellate Defender and to insure quality criminal defense services, authorize certain appeals to be assigned to a local public defender office or to private assigned counsel instead of to the Appellate Defender. The cost data reported reflects the activity of this office in both the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1988.

In addition, the State provides a full-time special counsel at each of the State's four mental hospitals, to represent patients in commitment or recommitment hearings before a district court judge. Under North Carolina law, each patient committed to a mental hospital is entitled to a judicial hearing (before a district court judge) within 90 days after the initial commitment, a further hearing within 180 days after the initial commitment, and thereafter a hearing once each year during the continuance of an involuntary commitment.

A juvenile alleged to be within the jurisdiction of the court has the right to be represented by counsel in all proceedings; and juveniles are conclusively presumed to be indigent and entitled to State-appointed and State-paid counsel (G.S. 7A-584). When a petition alleges that a juvenile is abused or neglected, the judge is required to appoint a guardian *ad litem*. If the guardian *ad litem* is not an attorney, the judge in addition is to appoint an attorney to represent the juvenile's interests (G.S. 7A-586). And where a juvenile petition alleges that a juvenile is abused, neglected or dependent, the parent has a right to appointed counsel in cases of indigency (G.S. 7A-587).

The cost of all programs of indigent representation, rounded to the nearest dollar, was $22,626,046 in the 1987-88 fiscal year, compared to $18,392,136 in the 1986-87 fiscal year, an increase of 23%. The total amount expended for these activities was 13.7% of total Judicial Department expenditures in the 1987-88 fiscal year.

Following is a summary of case and cost data for representation of indigents for the fiscal year, July 1, 1987 through June 30, 1988.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Cost and Case Data on Representation of Indigents
July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Number of Cases	Total Cost	Average Per Case
Assigned Private Counsel			
Capital offense cases	647	$ 2,303,323	$ 3,560
Adult cases (other than capital)	48,419	11,887,697	245
Juvenile cases	6,976	967,666	139
Totals	**56,042**	**15,158,686**	**270**
Guardian *ad litem* for juveniles	**691**	**105,210**	**152**
Guardian *ad litem* volunteer and contract program		**1,332,851**	
Public Defender Offices**			
*District 3	1,783	364,080	204
District 12	2,732	663,601	243
District 15B	1,051	221,061	210
District 18	3,149	798,594	254
District 26	11,785	1,225,733	104
District 27A	2,335	431,278	185
District 28	2,121	382,905	181
Totals	**24,956**	**4,087,252**	**164**
Appellate Defender Office		**521,177**	
Special Counsel at mental hospitals		**237,471**	
Support Services			
Transcripts, records and briefs		531,119	
Professional examinations		22,954	
Expert witness fees		152,880	
Total		**706,953**	
Indigency Screening		**353,380**	
N.C. Death Penalty Resource Center		**97,900**	
Permanent Family Task Force		**23,311**	
Reasonable Efforts Program		**1,855**	
GRAND TOTAL		**$22,626,046**	

*The Public Defender's Office serves only Pitt and Carteret Counties in Judicial District 3.

The number of "cases" shown is the number of **defendants in cases disposed of by public defenders during the 1987-88 year.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Special Counsel at Mental Hospitals
July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

The total cost of providing special counsel at each of the State's four mental hospitals, to represent patients in commitment or recommitment hearings, was $237,471 for the 1987-88 fiscal year. There was a total of 11,236 hearings held during the year, for an average cost per hearing of $21.13 for the special counsel service.

The following table presents data on the hearings held at each of the mental hospitals in 1987-88. There were 492 more hearings held in 1987-88 than in 1986-87, an increase of 4.6% in total hearings.

	Broughton	Cherry	Dorothea Dix	John Umstead	Totals
Initial Hearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	865	1,463	724	1,235	4,287
Commitment to outpatient clinic	512	199	99	478	1,288
Discharge	697	431	491	607	2,226
Total	**2,074**	**2,093**	**1,314**	**2,320**	**7,801**
First Rehearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	131	334	183	309	957
Commitment to outpatient clinic	38	16	38	17	109
Discharge	26	123	31	79	259
Total	**195**	**473**	**252**	**405**	**1,325**
Second or Subsequent Rehearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	271	428	358	684	1,741
Commitment to outpatient clinic	8	0	9	2	19
Discharge	12	2	20	87	121
Total	**291**	**430**	**387**	**773**	**1,881**
Modification of Prior Order Hearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	16	5	12	2	35
Commitment to outpatient clinic	20	20	31	95	166
Discharge	6	15	7	0	28
Total	**42**	**40**	**50**	**97**	**229**
Total Hearings or Rehearings resulting in:					
Commitment to hospital	1,283	2,230	1,277	2,230	7,020
Commitment to outpatient clinic	578	235	177	592	1,582
Discharge	741	571	549	773	2,634
Grand Totals	**2,602**	**3,036**	**2,003**	**3,595**	**11,236**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem
Number of Cases and Expenditures
July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
District 1				
Camden	30	12,002	5	499
Chowan	61	12,873	5	250
Currituck	74	20,452	10	1,060
Dare	186	61,493	3	475
Gates	61	15,466	2	429
Pasquotank	346	89,687	46	2,678
Perquimans	66	13,842	1	201
District Totals	**824**	**225,814**	**72**	**5,592**
District 2				
Beaufort	391	104,715	9	600
Hyde	41	10,376	2	250
Martin	200	53,596	0	0
Tyrrell	39	28,954	0	0
Washington	117	29,850	3	300
District Totals	**788**	**227,490**	**14**	**1,150**
District 3				
Carteret	102	30,196	7	553
Craven	809	219,856	4	900
Pamlico	65	16,785	0	0
Pitt	444	172,016	8	645
District Totals	**1,420**	**438,853**	**19**	**2,098**
District 4				
Duplin	317	108,631	6	1,015
Jones	35	10,515	0	0
Onslow	1,313	339,007	33	3,170
Sampson	323	102,323	1	200
District Totals	**1,988**	**560,476**	**40**	**4,385**
District 5				
New Hanover	1,393	429,244	0	0
Pender	147	40,625	0	0
District Totals	**1,540**	**469,869**	**0**	**0**
District 6				
Bertie	144	34,171	2	300
Halifax	454	140,514	6	525
Hertford	260	60,715	10	1,150
Northampton	166	111,153	11	1,475
District Totals	**1,024**	**346,553**	**29**	**3,450**
District 7				
Edgecombe	705	210,664	2	600
Nash	710	217,759	11	1,500
Wilson	876	312,763	3	450
District Totals	**2,291**	**741,186**	**16**	**2,550**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem
Number of Cases and Expenditures
July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
District 8				
Greene	106	28,286	0	0
Lenoir	702	168,310	0	0
Wayne	1,076	284,295	1	200
District Totals	**1,884**	**480,892**	**1**	**200**
District 9				
Franklin	344	88,901	2	200
Granville	431	123,594	4	470
Person	371	132,876	12	2,020
Vance	530	162,809	2	1,350
Warren	154	46,503	2	300
District Totals	**1,830**	**554,683**	**22**	**4,340**
District 10				
Wake	4,916	1,352,264	5	1,441
District Totals	**4,916**	**1,352,264**	**5**	**1,441**
District 11				
Harnett	649	105,586	1	75
Johnston	1,074	136,257	0	0
Lee	598	92,315	1	75
District Totals	**2,321**	**334,159**	**2**	**150**
District 12				
Cumberland	721	325,291	9	1,868
Hoke	32	28,389	1	232
District Totals	**753**	**353,680**	**10**	**2,099**
District 13				
Bladen	493	190,551	3	1,450
Brunswick	527	165,970	3	400
Columbus	598	140,834	19	2,510
District Totals	**1,618**	**497,355**	**25**	**4,360**
District 14				
Durham	3,176	727,444	17	2,636
District Totals	**3,176**	**727,444**	**17**	**2,636**
District 15A				
Alamance	1,056	278,841	3	175
District Totals	**1,056**	**278,841**	**3**	**175**
District 15B				
Chatham	82	17,804	3	1,125
Orange	324	94,479	10	1,105
District Totals	**406**	**112,283**	**13**	**2,230**
District 16				
Robeson	1,569	463,079	42	3,755
Scotland	554	99,002	15	790
District Totals	**2,123**	**562,081**	**57**	**4,545**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem
Number of Cases and Expenditures
July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
District 17A				
Caswell	146	40,407	6	500
Rockingham	1,003	261,281	6	675
District Totals	**1,149**	**301,688**	**12**	**1,175**
District 17B				
Stokes	242	69,939	1	150
Surry	601	151,719	0	0
District Totals	**843**	**221,657**	**1**	**150**
District 18				
Guilford	723	243,803	19	2,940
District Totals	**723**	**243,803**	**19**	**2,940**
District 19A				
Cabarrus	852	245,266	12	1,560
Rowan	1,196	254,587	19	2,410
District Totals	**2,048**	**499,853**	**31**	**3,970**
District 19B				
Montgomery	216	52,109	5	930
Randolph	758	189,109	21	2,225
District Totals	**974**	**241,218**	**26**	**3,155**
District 20				
Anson	362	80,965		
Moore	671	149,013	12	1,550
Richmond	808	236,461	3	400
Stanly	398	89,453	4	550
Union	973	207,218	4	400
District Totals	**3,212**	**763,110**	**23**	**2,900**
District 21				
Forsyth	3,341	672,769	15	1,450
District Totals	**3,341**	**672,769**	**15**	**1,450**
District 22				
Alexander	262	91,128		
Davidson	1,454	392,650	22	2,800
Davie	196	48,936	2	550
Iredell	1,224	278,126	2	300
District Totals	**3,136**	**810,839**	**26**	**3,650**
District 23				
Alleghany	64	9,719	4	350
Ashe	145	28,681	1	50
Wilkes	575	88,631	31	1,840
Yadkin	201	38,118	4	400
District Totals	**985**	**165,150**	**40**	**2,640**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT FINANCES

Assigned Counsel and Guardian Ad Litem
Number of Cases and Expenditures
July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Assigned Counsel		Guardian Ad Litem	
	Number of Cases	Expenditures	Number of Cases	Expenditures
District 24				
Avery	189	47,274	8	3,638
Madison	138	36,069	1	1,000
Mitchell	112	28,925	10	2,100
Watauga	315	99,860	4	1,300
Yancey	73	23,578	4	1,062
District Totals	**827**	**235,704**	**27**	**9,100**
District 25				
Burke	643	152,780	4	425
Caldwell	817	208,358	1	60
Catawba	1,315	319,948	5	650
District Totals	**2,775**	**681,086**	**10**	**1,135**
District 26				
Mecklenburg	1,902	885,791	58	20,003
District Totals	**1,902**	**885,791**	**58**	**20,003**
District 27A				
Gaston	222	55,607	6	475
District Totals	**222**	**55,607**	**6**	**475**
District 27B				
Cleveland	463	94,942	10	985
Lincoln	174	46,275	2	450
District Totals	**637**	**141,217**	**12**	**1,435**
District 28				
Buncombe	429	108,461	8	1,025
District Totals	**429**	**108,461**	**8**	**1,025**
District 29				
Henderson	556	157,192	2	1,240
McDowell	339	108,667	2	370
Polk	67	20,929	1	100
Rutherford	457	121,965	2	225
Transylvania	187	62,395	2	1,455
District Totals	**1,606**	**471,148**	**9**	**3,390**
District 30				
Cherokee	202	89,202	2	200
Clay	28	9,235	0	0
Graham	72	23,398	2	150
Haywood	422	154,095	10	2,805
Jackson	145	39,866	4	185
Macon	314	43,603	3	985
Swain	92	36,260	2	893
District Totals	**1,275**	**395,659**	**23**	**5,218**
STATE TOTALS	**56,042**	**$15,158,686**	**691**	**$105,210**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL
(Positions and salaries authorized as of June 30, 1988)

Positions Authorized		Salary Ranges
	SUPREME COURT	
7	Justices	$ 76,236-77,844*
28	Staff personnel (Clerk's and Reporter's offices, law clerks, library staff)	$ 12,235-57,356
7	Secretarial personnel	$ 24,520-25,656
	COURT OF APPEALS	
12	Judges	$ 72,180-73,800*
39	Staff personnel (Clerk's office, prehearing staff, Judicial Standards Commission staff, law clerks)	$ 14,654-49,960
12	Secretarial personnel	$ 23,474-24,520
	SUPERIOR COURT	
74	Judges	$ 64,092-66,204*
84	Staff personnel	$ 20,832-48,108
67	Secretarial personnel	$ 13,812-28,920
	DISTRICT COURT	
151	Judges	$ 54,372-56,532*
640	Magistrates	$ 14,076-24,036
29	Staff personnel	$ 14,952-31,692
25	Secretarial personnel	$ 14,352-26,412
	DISTRICT ATTORNEYS	
35	District Attorneys	$ 59,628*
277	Staff personnel	$ 19,104-38,568
125	Secretarial personnel	$ 14,352-24,252
	CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT	
100	Clerks of Superior Court	$ 34,728-51,516*
1,635	Staff personnel	$ 13,812-29,580
	INDIGENT REPRESENTATION	
1	Appellate Defender	$ 59,628
6	Assistant Appellate Defenders	$ 27,834-40,434
3	Secretarial personnel	$ 14,946-22,214
7	Public Defenders	$ 59,628*
73	Staff personnel	$ 17,628-38,568
22	Secretarial personnel	$ 14,352-24,252
4	Special counsel at mental hospitals	$ 11,034-33,504
4	Secretarial personnel	$ 14,952-22,212
1	Guardian ad Litem, Program Administrator	$ 39,464
21	Program Coordinators	$ 10,315-24,255
2	Program Analyst	$ 12,128-21,735
13	Secretarial personnel	$ 6,642-16,582
	JUVENILE PROBATION AND AFTERCARE	
286	Court counselors	$ 19,102-43,823
47	Secretarial personnel	$ 14,352-23,100
	ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS	
1	Administrative Officer of the Courts	$ 66,204*
1	Assistant Director	$ 53,964*
153	Staff personnel	$ 14,352-66,000

***In addition to the salaries given here, these categories are entitled to a longevity allowance for years of service.**

PART IV

TRIAL COURTS CASEFLOW DATA

- **Superior Court Division**
- **District Court Division**

TRIAL COURTS CASE DATA

This part of the *Annual Report* presents pertinent data on a district-by-district and county-by-county basis. For ease of reference, this part is divided into a superior court division section and a district court division section.

The data within the two sections generally parallel each other in terms of organization, with each section subdivided into civil and criminal case categories. With some exceptions, there are three basic data tables for each case category: a caseload inventory (filings, dispositions and pending) table; a table on the manner of dispositions; and a table on ages of cases disposed of during the year and ages of cases pending at the end of the year. Pending and age data are not provided for district court motor vehicle criminal cases, for civil cases (small claims) referred to magistrates, and for juvenile cases, inasmuch as these categories of cases are not reported by case file number.

The caseload inventory tables provide a statistical picture of caseflow during the 1987-88 year. Items recorded in this table include the number of cases pending at the beginning of the year, the number of new cases filed, the number of cases disposed of during the year, and the number of cases left pending at the end of the year. The caseload inventory also shows the total caseload (the number pending at the beginning of the year plus the number filed during the year) and the percentage of the caseload which was disposed of during the year.

The aging tables show the ages of the cases pending on June 30, 1988 as well as the ages of the cases disposed of during 1987-88. These tables also show both mean (average) and median ages for each set of cases—those pending at the end of the year and those that were disposed of during the year. The median age of a group of cases is, by definition, the age of a hypothetical case which is older than 50% of the total set of cases and younger than the other 50%.

Unlike the median, the mean age can be substantially raised (or lowered) if even a small number of very old (or very young) cases are included. For example, if only a single two-year old case was included among ten cases aged three months, the median age would be 90 days and the mean (average) age would be 148.2 days. A substantial difference between the median and average ages, therefore, indicates the presence of a number of rather long-pending, or short-pending, cases.

The bulk of caseload statistics is now handled by automated processing rather than manual processing. As of June 30, 1988, 60 of the 100 counties were operational on the criminal and infractions modules of the Administrative Office of the Court's Court Information System (CIS). These counties handled nearly 82% of the total criminal and infractions case filings in the state. (Not included in these figures is Mecklenburg County, which has its own county-based processing system and accounts for an additional 8% of the state's total criminal and infactions caseload.) By the end of the fiscal year, there were also fourteen counties automated on the civil indexing module of CIS. These counties accounted for 52% of the total civil filings in FY 87-88.

The case statistics in Part IV have been summarized from the automated filing and disposition case data, as well as from manually reported case data from those counties not yet automated. Pending case information is calculated from the filing and disposition data. The accuracy of the pending case figures is, of course, dependent upon timely and accurate data on filing and dispositions.

Periodic comparisons by clerk personnel of their actual pending case files against the Administrative Office of the Court's (AOC's) computer-produced pending case lists, followed by indicated corrections, is necessary to maintain completely accurate data in the AOC computer file. Yet, staff resource in the clerks' offices is not sufficient to make such physical inventory checks as frequently and as completely as would be necessary to maintain full accuracy in the AOC's computer files. Thus, it is recognized that some of the figures published in the following tables have errors of some degree.

Another accuracy-related problem inherent in the AOC's reporting system is the lack of absolute consistency in the published year-end and year-beginning pending figures. The number of cases pending at the end of a reporting year should ideally be identical to the number of published pending cases at the beginning of the next reporting year. In reality, this is rarely the case. Experience has shown that inevitably some filings and dispositions that occurred in the preceding year do not get reported until the subsequent year. The later-reported data are regarded as being more complete and are used in the current year's tables, thereby producing some differences between the prior year's end-pending figures and the current year's beginning-pending figures.

Notwithstanding the indicated limitations in the data reporting and data-processing system, it is believed that the published figures are sufficiently adequate to fully justify their use. In any event, the published figures are the best and most accurate data currently available.

PART IV, Section 1

Superior Court Division

Caseflow Data

The Superior Court Division

This section contains data tables and accompanying charts depicting the 1987-88 caseflow of cases pending, filed, and disposed of in the State's superior courts before superior court judges. Data are also presented on cases filed and disposed of before the 100 clerks of superior court, who have original jurisdiction over estate cases and special proceedings.

There are, for statistical reporting purposes, three categories of cases filed in the superior courts: civil cases (excluding estates and special proceedings), felony cases that are within the original jurisdiction of the superior courts, and misdemeanor appeals from the district courts to superior courts for trial de novo.

During 1987-88, as in previous years, the greatest proportion of superior court filings were felonies (52.3%), followed by misdemeanor appeals (31.8%) and civil cases (15.9%). Following the general trend over the past decade, the total number of case filings increased significantly. During 1987-88, total case filings in superior courts increased by 6.9% from the preceding fiscal year (from 98,886 total cases to 105,704). Filings of civil cases increased by 8.7%, felony filings increased by 8.0%, and misdemeanor appeal filings increased by 4.3%.

Superior court civil cases generally take much longer to dispose of than do criminal cases. During 1987-88, the median age at disposition of civil cases was 293 days, compared to a median age at disposition of 86 days for felonies and 70 days for misdemeanors. A similar pattern exists for the ages of pending cases. The median ages of superior court cases pending at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1988, was 219 days for civil cases, 79 days for felonies, and 78 days for misdemeanors.

These differences in the median ages of civil versus criminal cases in superior courts can be attributed in part to the priority given criminal cases. In criminal cases, a defendant has a right to a "speedy trial" guaranteed by both the United States and North Carolina Constitutions and by the North Carolina Speedy Trial Act (G.S. 15A-701 *et seq.*). The Speedy Trial Act requires cases to go to trial within 120 days of filing unless there has been justifiable delay for one or more of the reasons set out in the statute. During 1987-88, 52 criminal cases were dismissed under the Speedy Trial Act, an increase of 8.3% as compared to the 48 cases dismissed under the Act during 1986-87.

There is no comparable *statutory* standard for speedy disposition of civil cases in North Carolina, although the North Carolina Constitution does provide that "right and justice shall be administered without favor, denial, or delay" (Article I, Section 18, N.C. Constitution).

From 1986-87 to 1987-88, the median ages of pending cases and of cases at disposition in the superior courts have decreased for both civil and criminal cases. For cases at disposition, the median ages decreased from 299 days to 293 days for civil cases, from 91 days to 86 days for felony cases, and from 71 days to 70 days for misdemeanor cases. Compared to ages of cases pending on June 30, 1988, the median ages of cases pending on June 30,1 988, decreased from 224 days to 219 days for civil cases, from 88 days to 79 days for felony cases, and from 83 days to 78 days for misdemeanor cases.

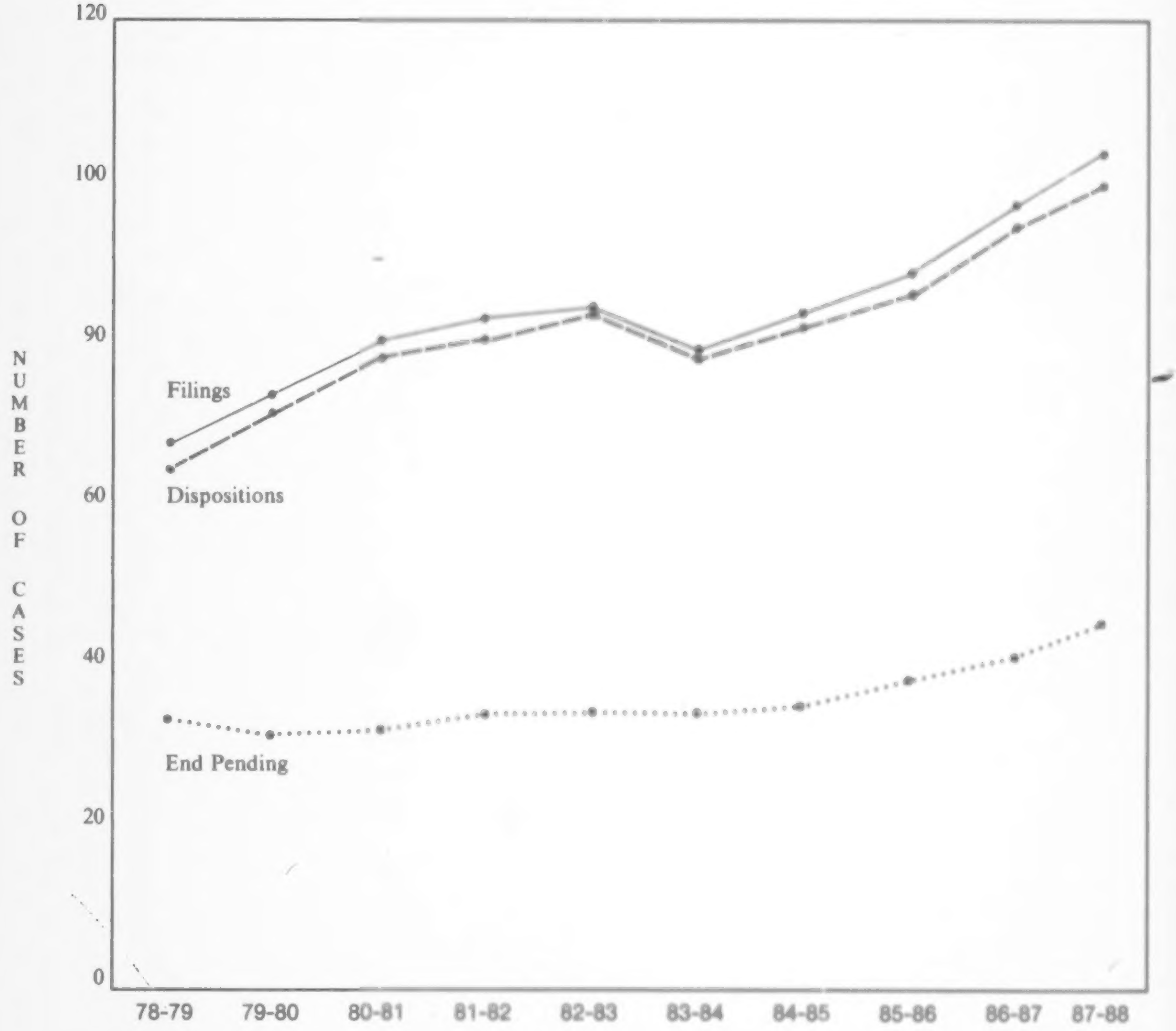
The three major case categories (civil, felonies, and misdemeanors) may be broken down into more specific case types. In the civil category, negligence cases comprised 45.6% of total civil findings in superior courts (7,639 of 16,756 total civil filings). Contract cases comprised the next largest category of civil case filings, at 23.7% (3,969 filings). Felony case filings were dominated by the following types of cases: burglary and breaking or entering, 21.4% (11,823 of 55,284 total filings); controlled substances violations, 20.4% (11,283 filings); forgery and uttering, 12.1% (6,691 filings); and larceny, 11.7% (6,454 filings). Non-motor vehicle appeals comprised 54.1% of misdemeanor filings in superior courts (18,209 of 33,664 total filings).

Case dispositions in 1987-88 increased by 4.7% over last fiscal year (from 96,308 to 100,808 superior court dispositions). Jury trials continued to account for a low percentage of case dispositions: 5.7% of civil cases (896 of 15,685 civil dispositions); 3.8% of felonies (2,010 of 53,420 felony dispositions); and 3.5% of misdemeanors (1,101 of 31,703 misdemeanor dispositions). Over half (55.5%) of all civil dispositions were by voluntary dismissal (8,702 of 15,685 civil dispositions). As in previous years, most criminal cases were disposed of by guilty plea; 63.4% of all felony dispositions (33,882 of 53,420), and 37.0% of all misdemenaor dispositions (11,718 of 31,703) were by guilty plea, with over 80% of these being to the offense as charged.

The total number of cases disposed of in superior courts in 1987-88 was 4,896 cases less than the total number of cases filed. Consequently, the total number of pending cases in superior courts increased from 42,326 at the beginning of the fiscal year to a total at year's end of 47,222, an increase of 11.6%.

CASELOAD TRENDS IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

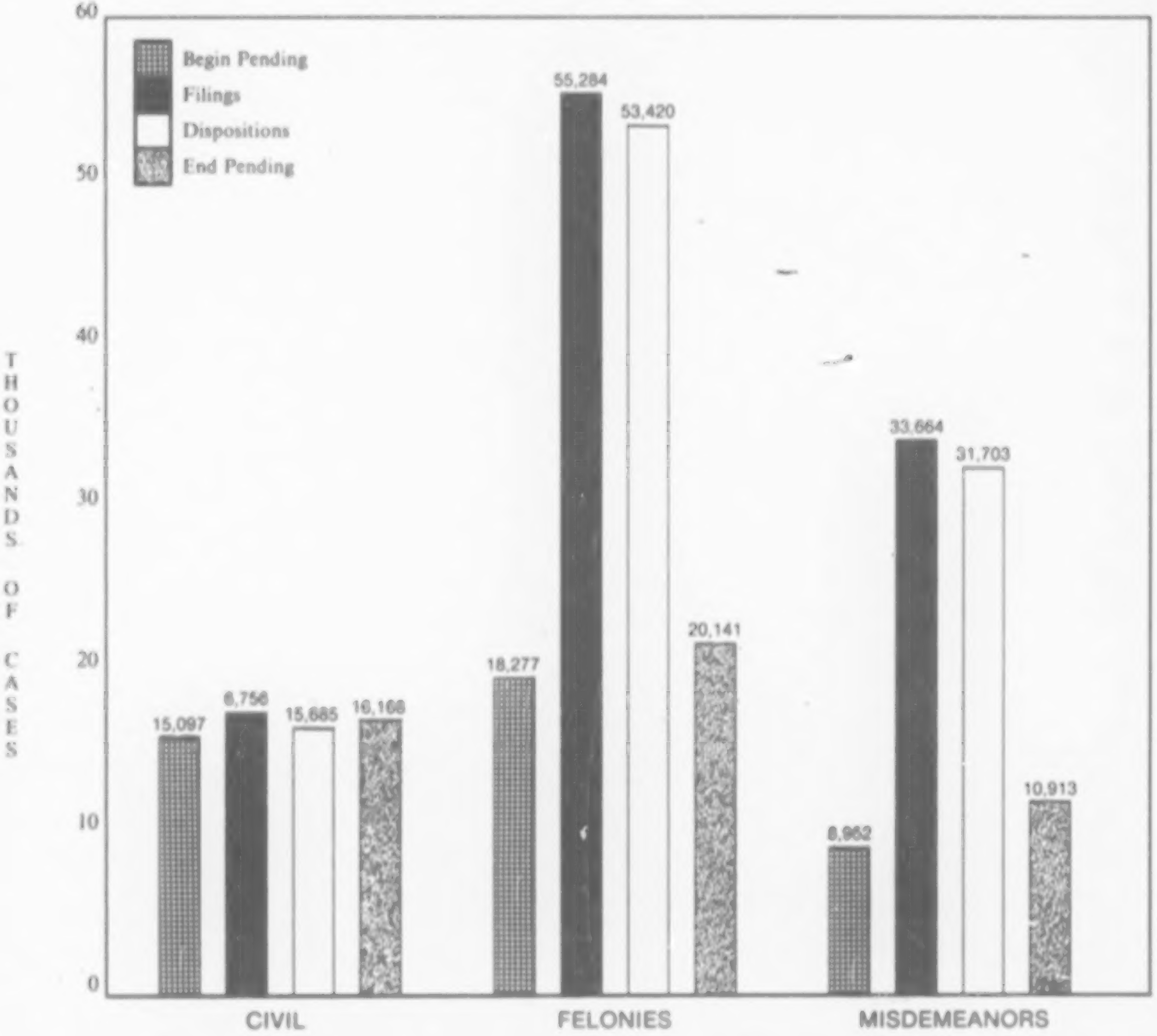
1978-79—1987-88



Following a slower rate of increase in the early 1980's, filings and dispositions in superior court appear to have resumed the earlier pattern of significant annual increases. The 11.6% rise in the number of cases pending as of June 30, 1988 resulted from a 6.9% increase in filings during 1987-88 coupled with a comparatively smaller 4.7% increase in dispositions.

SUPERIOR COURT CASELOAD

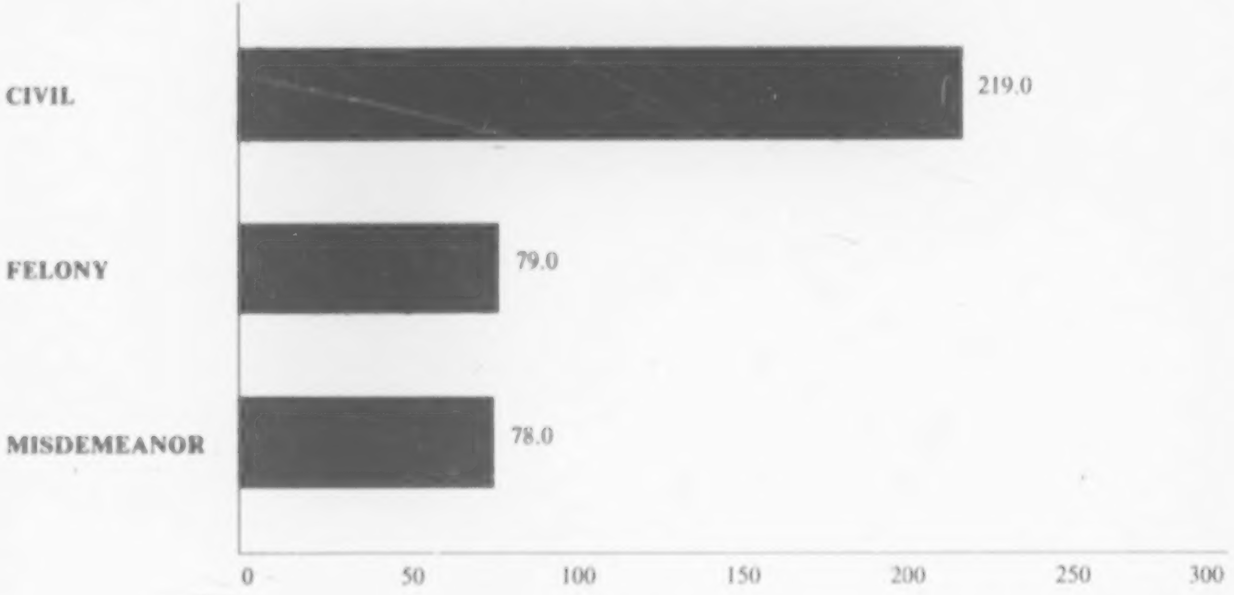
July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988



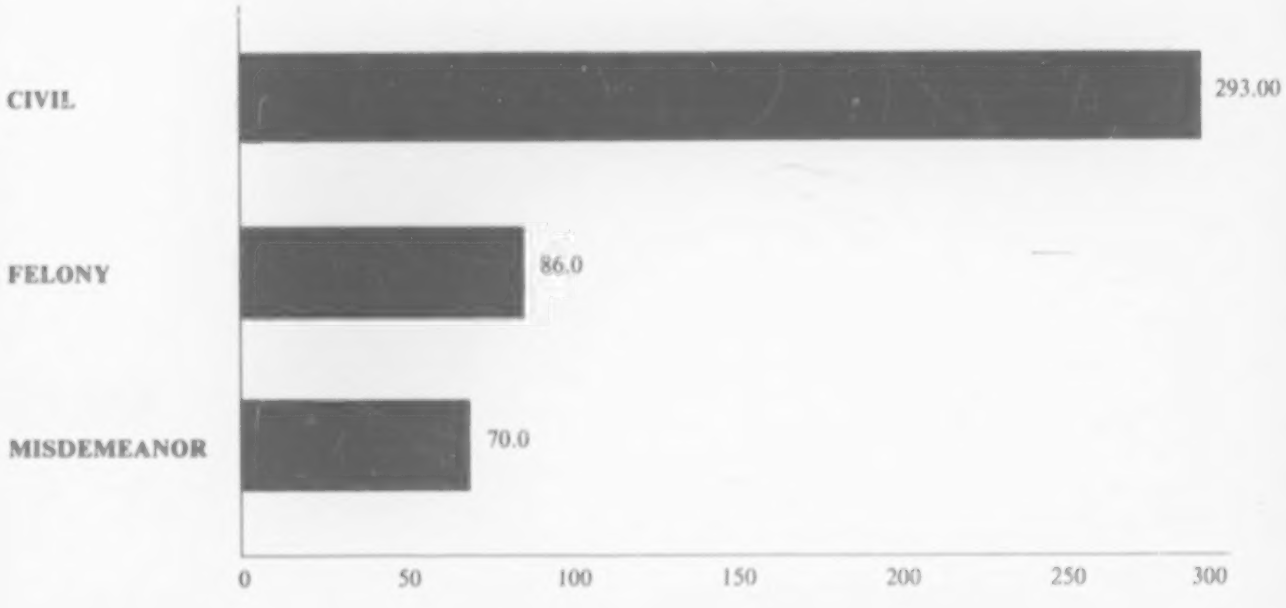
A comparison with last year's figures indicates that superior court filings increased in all categories during fiscal year 1987-88—felony filings by 8.0%, misdemeanor filings by 4.3%, and civil filings 8.7%. Dispositions of civil cases and felonies also increased, by 3.4% and 9.3% respectively, but dispositions of misdemeanors declined by 1.7%, leaving 47,222 cases pending in superior court on June 30, 1988, an 11.6% increase over the number pending at the beginning of the fiscal year.

MEDIAN AGES OF SUPERIOR COURT CASES

Median Ages (in days) of Cases Pending June 30, 1988



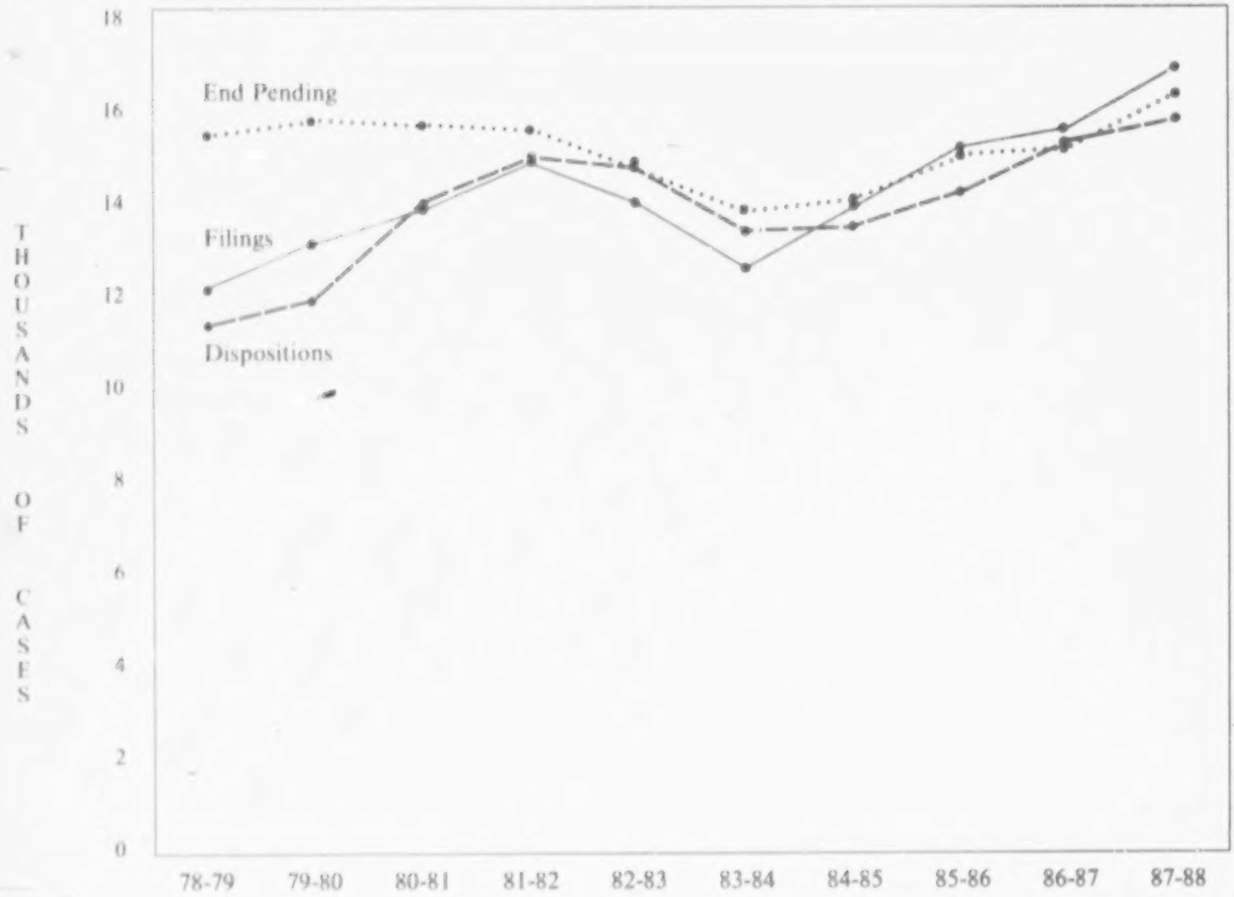
Median Ages (in days) of Cases Disposed During 1987-88



The median age is the age with respect to which half of the cases in the category are younger and half are older; it is the 50th percentile of ages of all cases in the category. As shown in the above graphs, the median ages of all civil superior court cases pending and disposed during fiscal year 1987-88 are greater than the corresponding median ages of criminal superior court cases pending and disposed. In general, civil cases take longer to process than do criminal cases.

CASELOAD TRENDS OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

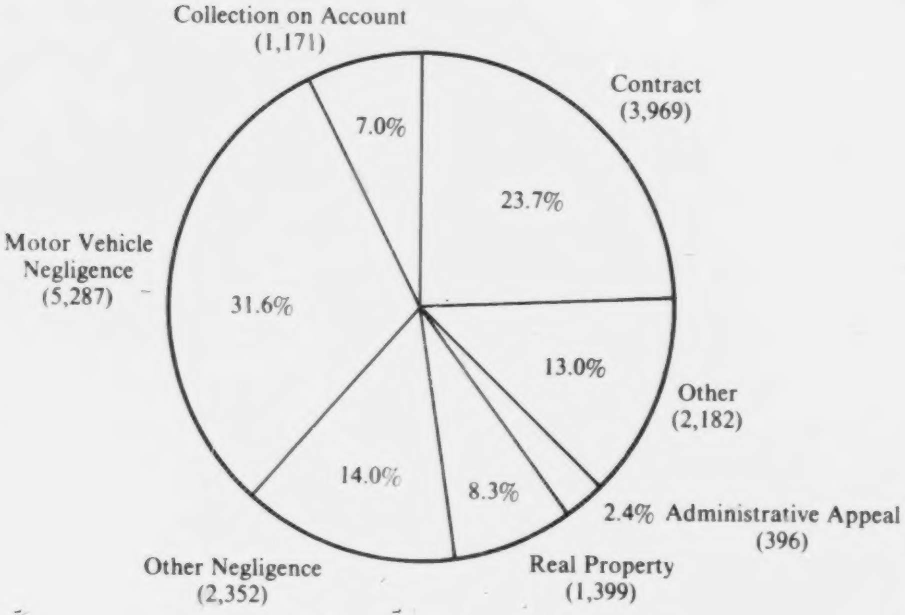
1978-79 — 1987-88



During 1987-88, civil filings in the superior courts increased by 8.7% while dispositions increased only 3.4%. As the graph above shows, these figures are in direct contrast with those for 1986-87, when the growth in filings temporarily slowed while dispositions sharply increased.

The rapid growth in filings during 1987-88, accompanied by the slower growth in dispositions, resulted in a 7.1% increase in the number of cases pending on June 30, 1988 as compared to the number pending on July 1, 1987.

FILINGS OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS — BY TYPE OF CASE
July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988



As was the case in recent years, almost half (45.6%) of the civil cases filed statewide during 1987-88 were negligence sases (7,639 of 16,756 total filings). The "other category includes non-negligent torts such as conversion of property, civil fraud, and civil assault.

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Begin Pending 7/1/87	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/88
District 1						
Camden	13	12	25	12	48.0%	13
Chowan	31	22	53	25	47.2%	28
Currituck	40	72	112	33	29.5%	79
Dare	104	119	223	110	49.3%	113
Gates	14	11	25	15	60.0%	10
Pasquotank	58	65	123	63	51.2%	60
Perquimans	15	30	45	21	46.7%	24
District Totals	275	331	606	279	46.0%	327
District 2						
Beaufort	83	60	143	75	52.4%	68
Hyde	18	17	35	14	40.0%	21
Martin	53	45	98	53	54.1%	45
Tyrrell	8	0	8	2	25.0%	6
Washington	31	26	57	29	50.9%	28
District Totals	193	148	341	173	50.7%	168
District 3						
Carteret	209	209	418	200	47.8%	218
Craven	210	246	456	221	48.5%	235
Pamlico	15	21	36	20	55.6%	16
Pitt	282	279	561	325	57.9%	236
District Totals	716	755	1,471	766	52.1%	705
District 4						
Duplin	101	86	187	93	49.7%	94
Jones	20	22	42	14	33.3%	28
Onslow	335	326	661	234	35.4%	427
Sampson	70	56	126	75	59.5%	51
District Totals	526	490	1,016	416	40.9%	600
District 5						
New Hanover	435	419	854	385	45.1%	469
Pender	49	57	106	44	41.5%	62
District Totals	484	476	960	429	44.7%	531
District 6						
Bertie	30	32	62	37	59.7%	25
Halifax	80	118	198	91	46.0%	107
Hertford	33	51	84	51	60.7%	33
Northampton	39	22	61	36	59.0%	25
District Totals	182	223	405	215	53.1%	190
District 7						
Edgecombe	117	120	237	139	58.6%	98
Nash	149	165	314	169	53.8%	145
Wilson	121	101	222	107	48.2%	115
District Totals	387	386	773	415	53.7%	358
District 8						
Greene	40	27	67	34	50.7%	33
Lenoir	205	186	391	232	59.3%	159
Wayne	214	232	446	217	48.7%	229
District Totals	459	445	904	483	53.4%	421

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS
July 1, 1987 – June 30, 1988

	Begin Pending 7/1/87	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/88
District 9						
Franklin	76	62	138	67	48.6%	71
Granville	46	50	96	45	46.9%	51
Person	56	59	115	61	53.0%	54
Vance	63	88	151	67	44.4%	84
Warren	36	33	69	31	44.9%	38
District Totals	277	292	569	271	47.6%	298
District 10						
Wake	1,453	1,632	3,085	1,457	47.2%	1,628
District 11						
Harnett	123	150	273	155	56.8%	118
Johnston	188	205	393	192	48.9%	201
Lee	75	71	146	77	52.7%	69
District Totals	386	426	812	424	52.2%	388
District 12						
Cumberland	486	482	968	483	49.9%	485
Hoke	19	16	35	17	48.6%	18
District Totals	505	498	1,003	500	49.9%	503
District 13						
Bladen	22	57	79	37	46.8%	42
Brunswick	126	98	224	79	35.3%	145
Columbus	160	106	266	108	40.6%	158
District Totals	308	261	569	224	39.4%	345
District 14						
Durham	590	626	1,216	595	48.9%	621
District 15A						
Alamance	196	131	327	172	52.6%	155
District 15B						
Chatham	37	62	99	65	65.7%	34
Orange	170	206	376	208	55.3%	168
District Totals	207	268	475	273	57.5%	202
District 16						
Robeson	179	290	469	226	48.2%	243
Scotland	41	72	113	52	46.0%	61
District Totals	220	362	582	278	47.8%	304
District 17A						
Caswell	11	22	33	14	42.4%	19
Rockingham	88	115	203	101	49.8%	102
District Totals	99	137	236	115	48.7%	121
District 17B						
Stokes	20	22	42	28	66.7%	14
Surry	71	116	187	114	61.0%	73
District Totals	91	138	229	142	62.0%	87

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Begin Pending 7/1/87	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/88
District 18						
Guilford	829	1,178	2,007	1,022	50.9%	985
District 19A						
Cabarrus	130	157	287	139	48.4%	148
Rowan	152	176	328	186	56.7%	142
District Totals	282	333	615	325	52.8%	290
District 19B						
Montgomery	16	29	45	12	26.7%	33
Randolph	92	169	261	126	48.3%	135
District Totals	108	198	306	138	45.1%	168
District 20						
Anson	66	47	113	67	59.3%	46
Moore	100	109	209	101	48.3%	108
Richmond	91	83	174	96	55.2%	78
Stanly	80	78	158	61	38.6%	97
Union	163	143	306	130	42.5%	176
District Totals	500	460	960	455	47.4%	505
District 21						
Forsyth	525	722	1,247	652	52.3%	595
District 22						
Alexander	35	27	62	39	62.9%	23
Davidson	126	169	295	157	53.2%	138
Davie	28	45	73	35	47.9%	38
Iredell	162	200	362	211	58.3%	151
District Totals	351	441	792	442	55.8%	350
District 23						
Alleghany	15	14	29	16	55.2%	13
Ashe	13	27	40	18	45.0%	22
Wilkes	125	157	282	140	49.6%	142
Yadkin	40	43	83	49	59.0%	34
District Totals	193	241	434	223	51.4%	211
District 24						
Avery	52	55	107	71	66.4%	36
Madison	74	25	99	60	60.6%	39
Mitchell	22	27	49	20	40.8%	29
Watauga	96	103	199	109	54.8%	90
Yancey	26	22	48	29	60.4%	19
District Totals	270	232	502	289	57.6%	213
District 25						
Burke	145	140	285	167	58.6%	118
Caldwell	173	155	328	162	49.4%	166
Catawba	222	264	486	275	56.6%	211
District Totals	540	559	1,099	604	55.0%	495
District 26						
Mecklenburg	2,335	2,422	4,757	2,157	45.3%	2,600

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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	Begin Pending 7/1/87	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/88
District 27A						
Gaston	388	583	971	528	54.4%	443
District 27B						
Cleveland	117	134	251	124	49.4%	127
Lincoln	58	72	130	69	53.1%	61
District Totals	175	206	381	193	50.7%	188
District 28						
Buncombe	338	520	858	466	54.3%	392
District 29						
Henderson	142	179	321	110	34.3%	211
McDowell	64	40	104	46	44.2%	58
Polk	12	22	34	19	55.9%	15
Rutherford	88	71	159	83	52.2%	76
Transylvania	71	53	124	60	48.4%	64
District Totals	377	365	742	318	42.9%	424
District 30						
Cherokee	29	21	50	24	48.0%	26
Clay	10	8	18	8	44.4%	10
Graham	23	8	31	16	51.6%	15
Haywood	116	113	229	95	41.5%	134
Jackson	49	58	107	40	37.4%	67
Macon	81	44	125	47	37.6%	78
Swain	24	19	43	16	37.2%	27
District Totals	332	271	603	246	40.8%	357
State Totals	15,097	16,756	31,853	15,685	49.2%	16,168

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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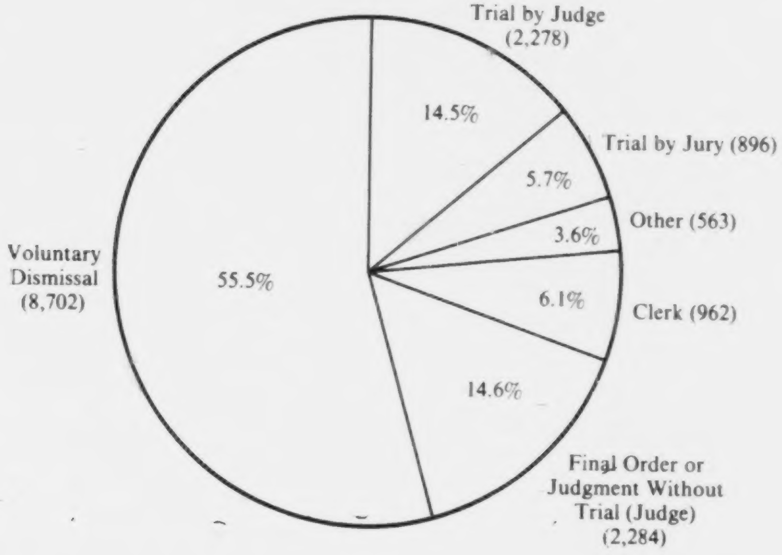

As in previous years, voluntary dismissals account for the largest number of civil case dispositions in superior courts. The next largest category, final order or judgment without trial, includes summary and consent judgments, and orders changing venue. The "other" category includes miscellaneous dispositions such as discontinuance for lack of service of process under Civil Rule 4(e), dismissal on motion of the court, and removal to federal court.

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF CIVIL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
District 1							
Camden	0	1	3	5	1	2	12
Chowan	1	6	6	1	4	7	25
Currituck	3	5	16	9	0	0	33
Dare	0	7	67	21	4	11	110
Gates	2	2	4	3	2	2	15
Pasquotank	1	8	37	6	7	4	63
Perquimans	1	2	12	2	3	1	21
District Totals	8	31	145	47	21	27	279
% of Total	2.9%	11.1%	52.0%	16.8%	7.5%	9.7%	100.0%
District 2							
Beaufort	4	8	37	21	0	5	75
Hyde	0	0	5	7	1	1	14
Martin	2	5	35	10	1	0	53
Tyrrell	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Washington	0	4	17	8	0	0	29
District Totals	6	17	94	48	2	6	173
% of Total	3.5%	9.8%	54.3%	27.7%	1.2%	3.5%	100.0%
District 3							
Carteret	14	37	114	22	10	3	200
Craven	9	20	121	42	19	10	221
Pamlico	0	2	9	4	1	4	20
Pitt	22	71	198	20	14	0	325
District Totals	45	130	442	88	44	17	766
% of Total	5.9%	17.0%	57.7%	11.5%	5.7%	2.2%	100.0%
District 4							
Duplin	10	14	49	12	3	5	93
Jones	0	2	6	2	1	3	14
Onslow	13	9	140	47	24	1	234
Sampson	8	16	35	4	6	6	75
District Totals	31	41	230	65	34	15	416
% of Total	7.5%	9.9%	55.3%	15.6%	8.2%	3.6%	100.0%
District 5							
New Hanover	24	73	218	41	23	6	385
Pender	2	5	29	5	2	1	44
District Totals	26	78	247	46	25	7	429
% of Total	6.1%	18.2%	57.6%	10.7%	5.8%	1.6%	100.0%
District 6							
Bertie	3	1	18	9	5	1	37
Halifax	3	23	52	9	4	0	91
Hertford	0	3	22	14	9	3	51
Northampton	1	13	17	1	3	1	36
District Totals	7	40	109	33	21	5	215
% of Total	3.3%	18.6%	50.7%	15.3%	9.8%	2.3%	100.0%
District 7							
Edgecombe	10	16	72	32	5	4	139
Nash	8	10	91	44	12	4	169
Wilson	9	26	41	21	10	0	107
District Totals	27	52	204	97	27	8	415
% of Total	6.5%	12.5%	49.2%	23.4%	6.5%	1.9%	100.0%

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July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
District 8							
Greene	0	0	15	14	0	5	34
Lenoir	12	12	137	55	16	0	232
Wayne	12	29	133	33	10	0	217
District Totals	24	41	285	102	26	5	483
% of Total	5.0%	8.5%	59.0%	21.1%	5.4%	1.0%	100.0%
District 9							
Franklin	8	12	32	7	0	8	67
Granville	2	5	24	4	0	10	45
Person	2	18	35	1	2	3	61
Vance	3	19	42	1	2	0	67
Warren	1	6	17	7	0	0	31
District Totals	16	60	150	20	4	21	271
% of Total	5.9%	22.1%	55.4%	7.4%	1.5%	7.7%	100.0%
District 10							
Wake	71	186	716	304	134	46	1,457
% of Total	4.9%	12.8%	49.1%	20.9%	9.2%	3.2%	100.0%
District 11							
Harnett	9	20	89	28	6	3	155
Johnston	11	32	90	48	10	1	192
Lee	11	5	46	11	4	0	77
District Totals	31	57	225	87	20	4	424
% of Total	7.3%	13.4%	53.1%	20.5%	4.7%	0.9%	100.0%
District 12							
Cumberland	16	72	305	51	19	20	483
Hoke	1	3	10	0	2	1	17
District Totals	17	75	315	51	21	21	500
% of Total	3.4%	15.0%	63.0%	10.2%	4.2%	4.2%	100.0%
District 13							
Bladen	4	2	20	7	1	3	37
Brunswick	11	18	33	13	4	0	79
Columbus	11	19	67	6	0	5	108
District Totals	26	39	120	26	5	8	224
% of Total	11.6%	17.4%	53.6%	11.6%	2.2%	3.6%	100.0%
District 14							
Durham	32	35	341	110	33	44	595
% of Total	5.4%	5.9%	57.3%	18.5%	5.5%	7.4%	100.0%
District 15A							
Alamance	5	18	99	44	5	1	172
% of Total	2.9%	10.5%	57.6%	25.6%	2.9%	0.6%	100.0%
District 15B							
Chatham	3	7	40	9	4	2	65
Orange	17	45	107	16	16	7	208
District Totals	20	52	147	25	20	9	273
% of Total	7.3%	19.0%	53.8%	9.2%	7.3%	3.3%	100.0%
District 16							
Robeson	18	61	139	2	4	2	226
Scotland	3	7	34	7	0	1	52
District Totals	21	68	173	9	4	3	278
% of Total	7.6%	24.5%	62.2%	3.2%	1.4%	1.1%	100.0%

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July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Trial by		Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
	Jury	Judge					
District 17A							
Caswell	0	0	5	8	1	0	14
Rockingham	5	9	63	17	5	2	101
District Totals	5	9	68	25	6	2	115
% of Total	4.3%	7.8%	59.1%	21.7%	5.2%	1.7%	100.0%
District 17B							
Stokes	0	3	11	6	0	8	28
Surry	6	8	61	32	7	0	114
District Totals	6	11	72	38	7	8	142
% of Total	4.2%	7.7%	50.7%	26.8%	4.9%	5.6%	100.0%
District 18							
Guilford	38	223	545	114	47	55	1,022
% of Total	3.7%	21.8%	53.3%	11.2%	4.6%	5.4%	100.0%
District 19A							
Cabarrus	3	18	91	19	3	5	139
Rowan	23	5	104	41	4	9	186
District Totals	26	23	195	60	7	14	325
% of Total	8.0%	7.1%	60.0%	18.5%	2.2%	4.3%	100.0%
District 19B							
Montgomery	1	4	7	0	0	0	12
Randolph	7	16	63	24	9	7	126
District Totals	8	20	70	24	9	7	138
% of Total	5.8%	14.5%	50.7%	17.4%	6.5%	5.1%	100.0%
District 20							
Anson	11	10	36	6	3	1	67
Moore	4	32	58	3	4	0	101
Richmond	2	21	62	6	4	1	96
Stanly	0	9	38	13	0	1	61
Union	8	24	88	4	6	0	130
District Totals	25	96	282	32	17	3	455
% of Total	5.5%	21.1%	62.0%	7.0%	3.7%	0.7%	100.0%
District 21							
Forsyth	46	70	329	113	57	37	652
% of Total	7.1%	10.7%	50.5%	17.3%	8.7%	5.7%	100.0%
District 22							
Alexander	1	2	20	11	2	3	39
Davidson	13	19	76	40	8	1	157
Davie	3	11	17	1	3	0	35
Iredell	15	39	100	20	23	14	211
District Totals	32	71	213	72	36	18	442
% of Total	7.2%	16.1%	48.2%	16.3%	8.1%	4.1%	100.0%
District 23							
Alleghany	1	3	8	4	0	0	16
Ashe	0	3	12	1	1	1	18
Wilkes	5	10	83	27	14	1	140
Yadkin	4	1	26	13	2	3	49
District Totals	10	17	129	45	17	5	223
% of Total	4.5%	7.6%	57.8%	20.2%	7.6%	2.2%	100.0%

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	Trial by						
	Jury	Judge	Voluntary Dismissal	Judge's Final Order or Judgment without Trial	Clerk	Other	Total Dispositions
District 24							
Avery	0	2	32	22	4	11	71
Madison	3	2	25	20	0	10	60
Mitchell	0	2	15	3	0	0	20
Watauga	0	8	60	24	6	11	109
Yancey	1	5	13	9	0	1	29
District Totals	4	19	145	78	10	33	289
% of Total	1.4%	6.6%	50.2%	27.0%	3.5%	11.4%	100.0%
District 25							
Burke	16	26	101	15	4	5	167
Caldwell	16	2	97	37	8	2	162
Catawba	12	22	172	38	29	2	275
District Totals	44	50	370	90	41	9	604
% of Total	7.3%	8.3%	61.3%	14.9%	6.8%	1.5%	100.0%
District 26							
Mecklenburg	97	368	1,308	172	173	39	2,157
% of Total	4.5%	17.1%	60.6%	8.0%	8.0%	1.8%	100.0%
District 27A							
Gaston	40	110	319	7	18	34	528
% of Total	7.6%	20.8%	60.4%	1.3%	3.4%	6.4%	100.0%
District 27B							
Cleveland	8	18	60	20	9	9	124
Lincoln	4	10	35	17	3	0	69
District Totals	12	28	95	37	12	9	193
% of Total	6.2%	14.5%	49.2%	19.2%	6.2%	4.7%	100.0%
District 28							
Buncombe	41	61	232	91	29	12	466
% of Total	8.8%	13.1%	49.8%	19.5%	6.2%	2.6%	100.0%
District 29							
Henderson	10	17	61	16	3	3	110
McDowell	5	2	24	11	3	1	46
Polk	2	0	13	2	0	2	19
Rutherford	5	18	37	13	4	6	83
Transylvania	1	10	27	13	4	5	60
District Totals	23	47	162	55	14	17	318
% of Total	7.2%	14.8%	50.9%	17.3%	4.4%	5.3%	100.0%
District 30							
Cherokee	1	6	15	1	0	1	24
Clay	2	1	2	1	1	1	8
Graham	2	1	9	3	0	1	16
Haywood	7	18	43	14	9	4	95
Jackson	5	1	25	4	4	1	40
Macon	6	5	24	4	2	6	47
Swain	3	3	8	2	0	0	16
District Totals	26	35	126	29	16	14	246
% of Total	10.6%	14.2%	51.2%	11.8%	6.5%	5.7%	100.0%
State Totals	896	2,278	8,702	2,284	962	563	15,685
% of Total	5.7%	14.5%	55.5%	14.6%	6.1%	3.6%	100.0%

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	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)								
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%	Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
District 1									
Camden	8	61.5%	4	30.8%	1	7.7%	13	335.4	288.0
Chowan	17	60.7%	6	21.4%	5	17.9%	28	365.9	322.0
Currituck	64	81.0%	11	13.9%	4	5.1%	79	240.2	140.0
Dare	76	67.3%	29	25.7%	8	7.1%	113	300.0	209.0
Gates	9	90.0%	0	0.0%	1	10.0%	10	269.8	128.0
Pasquotank	42	70.0%	10	16.7%	8	13.3%	60	361.5	244.5
Perquimans	21	87.5%	2	8.3%	1	4.2%	24	178.8	36.5
District Totals	237	72.5%	62	19.0%	28	8.6%	327	294.1	199.0
District 2									
Beaufort	40	58.8%	11	16.2%	17	25.0%	68	475.1	292.5
Hyde	13	61.9%	3	14.3%	5	23.8%	21	546.0	300.0
Martin	28	62.2%	7	15.6%	10	22.2%	45	477.5	281.0
Tyrrell	0	0.0%	2	33.3%	4	66.7%	6	1,018.3	1,031.5
Washington	17	60.7%	4	14.3%	7	25.0%	28	383.1	259.0
District Totals	98	58.3%	27	16.1%	43	25.6%	168	488.7	295.0
District 3									
Carteret	148	67.9%	51	23.4%	19	8.7%	218	316.4	260.0
Craven	166	70.6%	52	22.1%	17	7.2%	235	288.9	218.0
Pamlico	12	75.0%	4	25.0%	0	0.0%	16	256.2	251.5
Pitt	154	65.3%	57	24.2%	25	10.6%	236	354.9	225.0
District Totals	480	68.1%	164	23.3%	61	8.7%	705	318.8	237.0
District 4									
Duplin	56	59.6%	24	25.5%	14	14.9%	94	365.1	273.5
Jones	17	60.7%	4	14.3%	7	25.0%	28	685.5	264.0
Onslow	256	60.0%	111	26.0%	60	14.1%	427	394.6	275.0
Sampson	33	64.7%	12	23.5%	6	11.8%	51	354.5	246.0
District Totals	362	60.3%	151	25.2%	87	14.5%	600	400.1	266.0
District 5									
New Hanover	310	66.1%	120	25.6%	39	8.3%	469	311.8	259.0
Pender	39	62.9%	18	29.0%	5	8.1%	62	294.9	250.0
District Totals	349	65.7%	138	26.0%	44	8.3%	531	309.8	259.0
District 6									
Bertie	16	64.0%	7	28.0%	2	8.0%	25	347.6	288.0
Halifax	86	80.4%	15	14.0%	6	5.6%	107	251.3	182.0
Hertford	29	87.9%	0	0.0%	4	12.1%	33	262.1	108.0
Northampton	10	40.0%	8	32.0%	7	28.0%	25	547.8	415.0
District Totals	141	74.2%	30	15.8%	19	10.0%	190	304.9	195.5
District 7									
Edgecombe	70	71.4%	23	23.5%	5	5.1%	98	268.8	204.0
Nash	97	66.9%	32	22.1%	16	11.0%	145	350.3	268.0
Wilson	73	63.5%	25	21.7%	17	14.8%	115	311.7	209.0
District Totals	240	67.0%	80	22.3%	38	10.6%	358	315.6	219.5
District 8									
Greene	18	54.5%	6	18.2%	9	27.3%	33	469.6	328.0
Lenoir	106	66.7%	41	25.8%	12	7.5%	159	321.6	234.0
Wayne	159	69.4%	49	21.4%	21	9.2%	229	294.5	223.0
District Totals	283	67.2%	96	22.8%	42	10.0%	421	318.5	237.0

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District 9									
Franklin	47	66.2%	20	28.2%	4	5.6%	71	290.0	244.0
Granville	35	68.6%	13	25.5%	3	5.9%	51	271.4	160.0
Person	37	68.5%	14	25.9%	3	5.6%	54	304.0	215.5
Vance	62	73.8%	20	23.8%	2	2.4%	84	270.8	251.0
Warren	27	71.1%	5	13.2%	6	15.8%	38	377.5	236.0
District Totals	208	69.8%	72	24.2%	18	6.0%	298	295.1	230.0
District 10									
Wake	1,115	68.5%	422	25.9%	91	5.6%	1,628	294.9	227.0
District 11									
Harnett	89	75.4%	27	22.9%	2	1.7%	118	231.5	194.0
Johnston	133	66.2%	61	30.3%	7	3.5%	201	274.4	252.0
Lee	49	71.0%	18	26.1%	2	2.9%	69	269.6	206.0
District Totals	271	69.8%	106	27.3%	11	2.8%	388	260.5	207.5
District 12									
Cumberland	313	64.5%	134	27.6%	38	7.8%	485	321.0	255.0
Hoke	11	61.1%	6	33.3%	1	5.6%	18	365.0	234.0
District Totals	324	64.4%	140	27.8%	39	7.8%	503	322.6	255.0
District 13									
Bladen	40	95.2%	2	4.8%	0	0.0%	42	148.8	120.5
Brunswick	82	56.6%	41	28.3%	22	15.2%	145	399.1	318.0
Columbus	79	50.0%	53	33.5%	26	16.5%	158	398.9	363.5
District Totals	201	58.3%	96	27.8%	48	13.9%	345	368.6	293.0
District 14									
Durham	417	67.1%	136	21.9%	68	11.0%	621	331.3	206.0
District 15A									
Alamance	91	58.7%	55	35.5%	9	5.8%	155	314.1	289.0
District 15B									
Chatham	32	94.1%	2	5.9%	0	0.0%	34	163.5	154.5
Orange	137	81.5%	30	17.9%	1	0.6%	168	211.4	199.5
District Totals	169	83.7%	32	15.8%	1	0.5%	202	203.3	187.5
District 16									
Robeson	200	82.3%	39	16.0%	4	1.6%	243	227.8	192.0
Scotland	48	78.7%	10	16.4%	3	4.9%	61	267.4	199.0
District Totals	248	81.6%	49	16.1%	7	2.3%	304	235.8	195.5
District 17A									
Caswell	16	84.2%	2	10.5%	1	5.3%	19	229.9	224.0
Rockingham	83	81.4%	15	14.7%	4	3.9%	102	227.4	199.5
District Totals	99	81.8%	17	14.0%	5	4.1%	121	227.8	220.0
District 17B									
Stokes	13	92.9%	1	7.1%	0	0.0%	14	185.8	145.0
Surry	65	89.0%	8	11.0%	0	0.0%	73	171.3	146.0
District Totals	78	89.7%	9	10.3%	0	0.0%	87	173.6	146.0

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District 18									
Guilford	837	85.0%	127	12.9%	21	2.1%	985	209.2	155.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	114	77.0%	28	18.9%	6	4.1%	148	228.3	192.0
Rowan	122	85.9%	18	12.7%	2	1.4%	142	193.1	153.0
District Totals	236	81.4%	46	15.9%	8	2.8%	290	211.1	160.5
District 19B									
Montgomery	26	78.8%	6	18.2%	1	3.0%	33	210.8	129.0
Randolph	121	89.6%	11	8.1%	3	2.2%	135	197.3	162.0
District Totals	147	87.5%	17	10.1%	4	2.4%	168	199.9	160.0
District 20									
Anson	30	65.2%	15	32.6%	1	2.2%	46	274.2	235.5
Moore	76	70.4%	19	17.6%	13	12.0%	108	322.0	237.5
Richmond	57	73.1%	17	21.8%	4	5.1%	78	304.3	233.5
Stanly	55	56.7%	20	20.6%	22	22.7%	97	569.0	289.0
Union	110	62.5%	53	30.1%	13	7.4%	176	337.0	244.5
District Totals	328	65.0%	124	24.6%	53	10.5%	505	367.6	241.0
District 21									
Forsyth	490	82.4%	102	17.1%	3	0.5%	595	220.6	168.0
District 22									
Alexander	20	87.0%	3	13.0%	0	0.0%	23	171.9	156.0
Davidson	120	87.0%	14	10.1%	4	2.9%	138	215.5	168.5
Davie	32	84.2%	5	13.2%	1	2.6%	38	210.5	136.5
Iredell	125	82.8%	23	15.2%	3	2.0%	151	223.4	167.0
District Totals	297	84.9%	45	12.9%	8	2.3%	350	215.5	165.0
District 23									
Alleghany	8	61.5%	5	38.5%	0	0.0%	13	236.2	184.0
Ashe	18	81.8%	4	18.2%	0	0.0%	22	255.4	257.5
Wilkes	108	76.1%	31	21.8%	3	2.1%	142	234.6	184.0
Yadkin	23	67.6%	11	32.4%	0	0.0%	34	270.8	207.0
District Totals	157	74.4%	51	24.2%	3	1.4%	211	242.7	197.0
District 24									
Avery	29	80.6%	6	16.7%	1	2.8%	36	229.1	166.5
Madison	18	46.2%	11	28.2%	10	25.6%	39	468.6	407.0
Mitchell	22	75.9%	4	13.8%	3	10.3%	29	297.4	254.0
Watauga	75	83.3%	15	16.7%	0	0.0%	90	215.4	189.5
Yancey	13	68.4%	6	31.6%	0	0.0%	19	261.5	195.0
District Totals	157	73.7%	42	19.7%	14	6.6%	213	279.4	246.0
District 25									
Burke	86	72.9%	29	24.6%	3	2.5%	118	244.2	212.0
Caldwell	118	71.1%	41	24.7%	7	4.2%	166	290.1	238.0
Catawba	165	78.2%	35	16.6%	11	5.2%	211	227.3	150.0
District Totals	369	74.5%	105	21.2%	21	4.2%	495	252.4	190.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	1,763	67.8%	668	25.7%	169	6.5%	2,600	323.5	259.0

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District 27A									
Gaston	368	83.1%	65	14.7%	10	2.3%	443	209.3	147.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	94	74.0%	25	19.7%	8	6.3%	127	263.3	192.0
Lincoln	51	83.6%	7	11.5%	3	4.9%	61	206.5	155.0
District Totals	145	77.1%	32	17.0%	11	5.9%	188	244.8	169.0
District 28									
Buncombe	330	84.2%	45	11.5%	17	4.3%	392	216.8	147.0
District 29									
Henderson	150	71.1%	45	21.3%	16	7.6%	211	291.1	141.0
McDowell	35	60.3%	16	27.6%	7	12.1%	58	330.7	253.0
Polk	10	66.7%	3	20.0%	2	13.3%	15	341.6	240.0
Rutherford	43	56.6%	23	30.3%	10	13.2%	76	367.6	315.5
Transylvania	38	59.4%	17	26.6%	9	14.1%	64	371.8	283.0
District Totals	276	65.1%	104	24.5%	44	10.4%	424	324.2	228.0
District 30									
Cherokee	15	57.7%	7	26.9%	4	15.4%	26	410.2	204.5
Clay	6	60.0%	4	40.0%	0	0.0%	10	350.2	364.0
Graham	5	33.3%	7	46.7%	3	20.0%	15	486.7	559.0
Haywood	87	64.9%	24	17.9%	23	17.2%	134	383.0	244.0
Jackson	40	59.7%	19	28.4%	8	11.9%	67	354.5	246.0
Macon	34	43.6%	22	28.2%	22	28.2%	78	583.0	453.5
Swain	16	59.3%	8	29.6%	3	11.1%	27	393.1	304.0
District Totals	203	56.9%	91	25.5%	63	17.6%	357	427.5	304.0
State Totals	11,514	71.2%	3546	21.9%	1108	6.9%	16168	294.7	219.0

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 1									
Camden	6	50.0%	5	41.7%	1	8.3%	12	366.0	362.5
Chowan	6	24.0%	11	44.0%	8	32.0%	25	644.1	572.0
Currituck	20	60.6%	9	27.3%	4	12.1%	33	388.4	265.0
Dare	69	62.7%	23	20.9%	18	16.4%	110	387.1	230.5
Gates	7	46.7%	5	33.3%	3	20.0%	15	524.1	377.0
Pasquotank	37	58.7%	15	23.8%	11	17.5%	63	381.8	284.0
Perquimans	14	66.7%	6	28.6%	1	4.8%	21	309.1	224.0
District Totals	159	57.0%	74	26.5%	46	16.5%	279	409.7	287.0
District 2									
Beaufort	45	60.0%	18	24.0%	12	16.0%	75	397.1	300.0
Hyde	6	42.9%	4	28.6%	4	28.6%	14	636.1	495.5
Martin	28	52.8%	18	34.0%	7	13.2%	53	430.4	310.0
Tyrrell	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	100.0%	2	1,244.5	1,244.5
Washington	15	51.7%	6	20.7%	8	27.6%	29	420.2	302.0
District Totals	94	54.3%	46	26.6%	33	19.1%	173	440.3	329.0
District 3									
Carteret	109	54.5%	67	33.5%	24	12.0%	200	364.8	319.5
Craven	138	62.4%	60	27.1%	23	10.4%	221	354.3	257.0
Pamlico	15	75.0%	1	5.0%	4	20.0%	20	484.8	264.0
Pitt	222	68.3%	87	26.8%	16	4.9%	325	281.1	222.0
District Totals	484	63.2%	215	28.1%	67	8.7%	766	329.4	259.5
District 4									
Duplin	52	55.9%	30	32.3%	11	11.8%	93	399.3	315.0
Jones	10	71.4%	2	14.3%	2	14.3%	14	282.9	249.5
Onslow	123	52.6%	78	33.3%	33	14.1%	234	417.3	348.0
Sampson	51	68.0%	16	21.3%	8	10.7%	75	312.8	251.0
District Totals	236	56.7%	126	30.3%	54	13.0%	416	389.9	302.5
District 5									
New Hanover	221	57.4%	100	26.0%	64	16.6%	385	376.7	318.0
Pender	29	65.9%	7	15.9%	8	18.2%	44	348.1	249.5
District Totals	250	58.3%	107	24.9%	72	16.8%	429	373.8	310.0
District 6									
Bertie	27	73.0%	9	24.3%	1	2.7%	37	288.0	284.0
Halifax	55	60.4%	29	31.9%	7	7.7%	91	325.4	292.0
Hertford	28	54.9%	14	27.5%	9	17.6%	51	426.4	342.0
Northampton	18	50.0%	13	36.1%	5	13.9%	36	437.7	363.0
District Totals	128	59.5%	65	30.2%	22	10.2%	215	361.7	306.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	90	64.7%	36	25.9%	13	9.4%	139	307.9	234.0
Nash	113	66.9%	46	27.2%	10	5.9%	169	293.3	228.0
Wilson	56	52.3%	37	34.6%	14	13.1%	107	422.7	354.0
District Totals	259	62.4%	119	28.7%	37	8.9%	415	331.6	263.0
District 8									
Greene	15	44.1%	15	44.1%	4	11.8%	34	405.8	414.5
Lenoir	129	55.6%	81	34.9%	22	9.5%	232	358.6	328.0
Wayne	134	61.8%	65	30.0%	18	8.3%	217	342.6	285.0
District Totals	278	57.6%	161	33.3%	44	9.1%	483	354.8	311.0

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	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 9									
Franklin	24	35.8%	33	49.3%	10	14.9%	67	425.1	440.0
Granville	27	60.0%	10	22.2%	8	17.8%	45	405.2	308.0
Person	41	67.2%	16	26.2%	4	6.6%	61	291.6	254.0
Vance	42	62.7%	19	28.4%	6	9.0%	67	324.4	253.0
Warren	17	54.8%	9	29.0%	5	16.1%	31	434.5	310.0
District Totals	151	55.7%	87	32.1%	33	12.2%	271	367.9	308.0
District 10									
Wake	823	56.5%	479	32.9%	155	10.6%	1,457	361.2	305.0
District 11									
Harnett	107	69.0%	40	25.8%	8	5.2%	155	281.2	238.0
Johnston	121	63.0%	60	31.3%	11	5.7%	192	302.9	223.5
Lee	50	64.9%	20	26.0%	7	9.1%	77	347.0	301.0
District Totals	278	65.6%	120	28.3%	26	6.1%	424	303.0	244.0
District 12									
Cumberland	262	54.2%	144	29.8%	77	15.9%	483	413.3	323.0
Hoke	7	41.2%	7	41.2%	3	17.6%	17	496.2	366.0
District Totals	269	53.8%	151	30.2%	80	16.0%	500	416.2	324.0
District 13									
Bladen	32	86.5%	4	10.8%	1	2.7%	37	207.4	201.0
Brunswick	34	43.0%	31	39.2%	14	17.7%	79	482.9	403.0
Columbus	44	40.7%	31	28.7%	33	30.6%	108	524.3	468.5
District Totals	110	49.1%	66	29.5%	48	21.4%	224	457.4	373.5
District 14									
Durham	355	59.7%	162	27.2%	78	13.1%	595	364.3	292.0
District 15A									
Alamance	70	40.7%	55	32.0%	47	27.3%	172	562.0	430.5
District 15B									
Chatham	45	69.2%	20	30.8%	0	0.0%	65	289.1	242.0
Orange	135	64.9%	70	33.7%	3	1.4%	208	291.9	263.0
District Totals	180	65.9%	90	33.0%	3	1.1%	273	291.2	263.0
District 16									
Robeson	143	63.3%	74	32.7%	9	4.0%	226	291.1	266.0
Scotland	37	71.2%	14	26.9%	1	1.9%	52	260.8	197.0
District Totals	180	64.7%	88	31.7%	10	3.6%	278	285.4	257.5
District 17A									
Caswell	10	71.4%	4	28.6%	0	0.0%	14	239.4	210.0
Rockingham	70	69.3%	28	27.7%	3	3.0%	101	292.4	244.0
District Totals	80	69.6%	32	27.8%	3	2.6%	115	286.0	244.0
District 17B									
Stokes	21	75.0%	7	25.0%	0	0.0%	28	244.0	227.5
Surry	99	86.8%	15	13.2%	0	0.0%	114	215.3	201.0
District Totals	120	84.5%	22	15.5%	0	0.0%	142	221.0	211.5

AGES OF CIVIL CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1987 to June 30, 1988

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)								
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%	Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
District 18									
Guilford	648	63.4%	326	31.9%	48	4.7%	1,022	313.1	280.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	100	71.9%	31	22.3%	8	5.8%	139	292.2	259.0
Rowan	111	59.7%	66	35.5%	9	4.8%	186	319.6	315.5
District Totals	211	64.9%	97	29.8%	17	5.2%	325	307.9	293.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	6	50.0%	6	50.0%	0	0.0%	12	316.4	312.0
Randolph	85	67.5%	31	24.6%	10	7.9%	126	299.8	274.5
District Totals	91	65.9%	37	26.8%	10	7.2%	138	301.3	274.5
District 20									
Anson	35	52.2%	24	35.8%	8	11.9%	67	387.1	345.0
Moore	52	51.5%	34	33.7%	15	14.9%	101	397.0	344.0
Richmond	43	44.8%	44	45.8%	9	9.4%	96	392.7	383.5
Stanly	39	63.9%	15	24.6%	7	11.5%	61	355.2	258.0
Union	62	47.7%	52	40.0%	16	12.3%	130	404.3	387.0
District Totals	231	50.8%	169	37.1%	55	12.1%	455	391.1	357.0
District 21									
Forsyth	468	71.8%	179	27.5%	5	0.8%	652	269.4	257.0
District 22									
Alexander	23	59.0%	14	35.9%	2	5.1%	39	347.3	335.0
Davidson	106	67.5%	46	29.3%	5	3.2%	157	287.9	279.0
Davie	23	65.7%	12	34.3%	0	0.0%	35	253.7	281.0
Iredell	133	63.0%	68	32.2%	10	4.7%	211	313.0	314.0
District Totals	285	64.5%	140	31.7%	17	3.8%	442	302.4	302.0
District 23									
Alleghany	8	50.0%	7	43.8%	1	6.3%	16	369.6	345.5
Ashe	13	72.2%	4	22.2%	1	5.6%	18	245.0	240.0
Wilkes	84	60.0%	47	33.6%	9	6.4%	140	335.7	318.0
Yadkin	38	77.6%	6	12.2%	5	10.2%	49	309.1	267.0
District Totals	143	64.1%	64	28.7%	16	7.2%	223	324.9	287.0
District 24									
Avery	46	64.8%	23	32.4%	2	2.8%	71	325.8	301.0
Madison	16	26.7%	19	31.7%	25	41.7%	60	632.3	647.5
Mitchell	9	45.0%	9	45.0%	2	10.0%	20	414.3	432.5
Watauga	66	60.6%	41	37.6%	2	1.8%	109	299.8	281.0
Yancey	15	51.7%	12	41.4%	2	6.9%	29	344.7	355.0
District Totals	152	52.6%	104	36.0%	33	11.4%	289	387.6	352.0
District 25									
Burke	114	68.3%	46	27.5%	7	4.2%	167	308.9	291.0
Caldwell	83	51.2%	65	40.1%	14	8.6%	162	375.3	364.0
Catawba	194	70.5%	76	27.6%	5	1.8%	275	276.2	267.0
District Totals	391	64.7%	187	31.0%	26	4.3%	604	311.8	301.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	1,144	53.0%	884	41.0%	129	6.0%	2,157	364.8	335.0

AGES OF CIVIL CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1987 to June 30, 1988

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<12	%	12-24	%	>24	%			
District 27A									
Gaston	402	76.1%	112	21.2%	14	2.7%	528	257.0	241.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	71	57.3%	52	41.9%	1	0.8%	124	303.2	304.5
Lincoln	42	60.9%	24	34.8%	3	4.3%	69	321.6	314.0
District Totals	113	58.5%	76	39.4%	4	2.1%	193	309.8	313.0
District 28									
Buncombe	350	75.1%	100	21.5%	16	3.4%	466	260.7	231.5
District 29									
Henderson	61	55.5%	35	31.8%	14	12.7%	110	393.6	316.5
McDowell	13	28.3%	24	52.2%	9	19.6%	46	523.2	531.5
Polk	17	89.5%	1	5.3%	1	5.3%	19	276.6	185.0
Rutherford	42	50.6%	20	24.1%	21	25.3%	83	435.7	359.0
Transylvania	24	40.0%	24	40.0%	12	20.0%	60	485.9	480.5
District Totals	157	49.4%	104	32.7%	57	17.9%	318	433.8	371.5
District 30									
Cherokee	10	41.7%	10	41.7%	4	16.7%	24	434.6	466.5
Clay	2	25.0%	4	50.0%	2	25.0%	8	535.4	635.0
Graham	8	50.0%	6	37.5%	2	12.5%	16	450.6	331.5
Haywood	43	45.3%	42	44.2%	10	10.5%	95	405.3	412.0
Jackson	24	60.0%	11	27.5%	5	12.5%	40	445.1	193.5
Macon	20	42.6%	18	38.3%	9	19.1%	47	461.9	443.0
Swain	6	37.5%	8	50.0%	2	12.5%	16	482.8	436.0
District Totals	113	45.9%	99	40.2%	34	13.8%	246	437.7	415.0
State Totals	9,403	59.9%	4,943	31.5%	1,339	8.5%	15,685	345.9	293.0

CASELOAD TRENDS IN ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS

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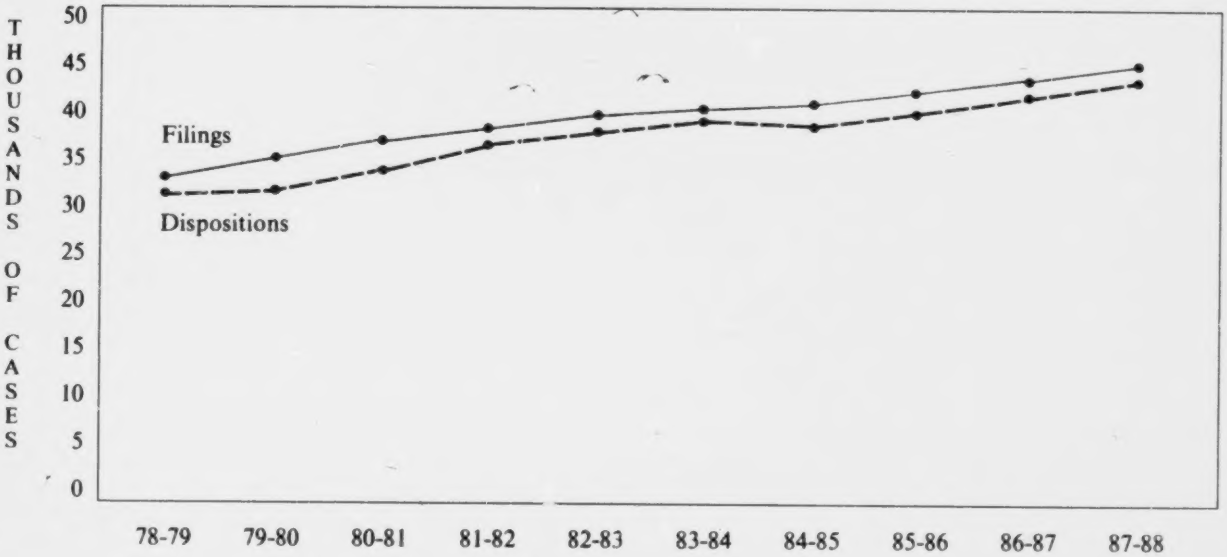
ESTATE CASES



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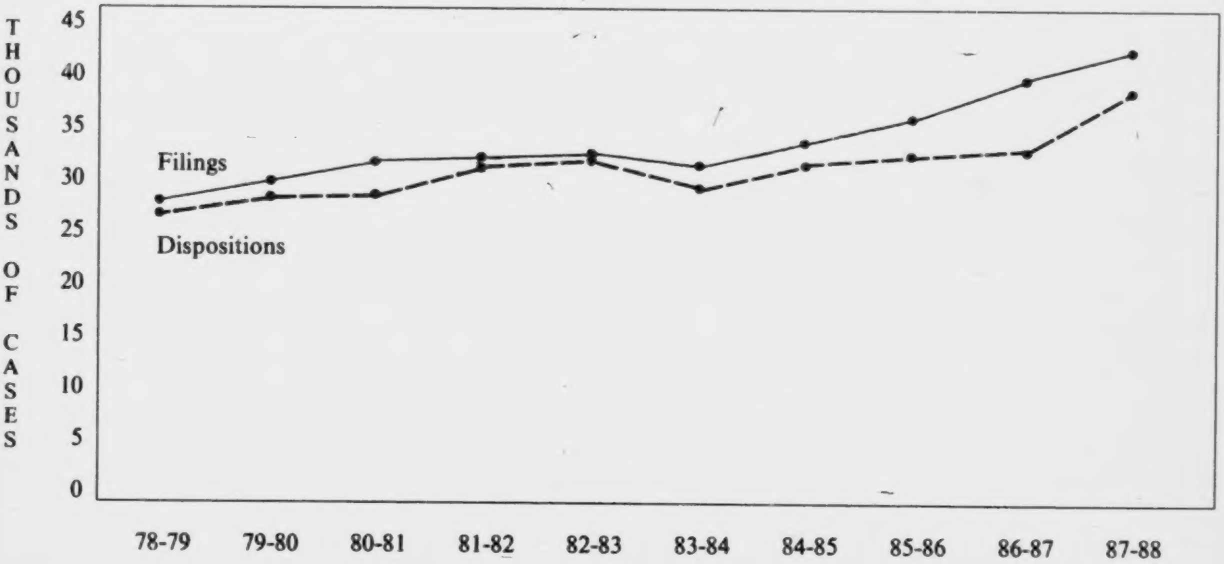

Following the general trend of the last decade, filings of estate and special proceedings increased. During 1987-88, estate filings increased by 4.0% and estate dispositions by 2.9%; special proceeding filings increased by 6.6% while dispositions of these cases increased by 17.5%.

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
District 1				
Camden	66	69	32	24
Chowan	171	148	78	50
Currituck	171	159	95	59
Dare	209	238	139	135
Gates	73	60	47	21
Pasquotank	332	298	135	81
Perquimans	104	75	48	33
District Totals	1,126	1,047	574	403
District 2				
Beaufort	434	352	260	403
Hyde	73	67	30	26
Martin	212	242	107	66
Tyrrell	33	37	26	12
Washington	115	113	47	70
District Totals	867	811	470	577
District 3				
Carteret	430	465	343	183
Craven	454	416	519	462
Pamlico	74	59	32	27
Pitt	653	690	579	507
District Totals	1,611	1,630	1,473	1,179
District 4				
Duplin	363	326	307	198
Jones	89	86	51	47
Onslow	457	307	1,165	846
Sampson	431	421	369	268
District Totals	1,340	1,140	1,892	1,359
District 5				
New Hanover	792	627	1,223	1,125
Pender	163	164	135	117
District Totals	955	791	1,358	1,242
District 6				
Bertie	167	154	104	59
Halifax	494	465	318	274
Hertford	192	184	120	110
Northampton	206	203	107	80
District Totals	1,059	1,006	649	523
District 7				
Edgecombe	471	477	301	253
Nash	501	502	465	272
Wilson	512	502	374	306
District Totals	1,484	1,481	1,140	831
District 8				
Greene	139	106	87	34
Lenoir	514	487	350	381
Wayne	731	728	845	833
District Totals	1,384	1,321	1,282	1,248

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
District 9				
Franklin	259	198	219	187
Granville	256	260	331	315
Person	229	251	140	137
Vance	284	273	176	165
Warren	211	211	104	85
District Totals	1,239	1,193	970	889
District 10				
Wake	1,878	1,786	2,827	2,736
District 11				
Harnett	423	394	304	208
Johnston	635	626	673	645
Lee	311	352	150	199
District Totals	1,369	1,372	1,127	1,052
District 12				
Cumberland	1,042	981	2,103	2,099
Hoke	92	99	83	88
District Totals	1,134	1,080	2,186	2,187
District 13				
Bladen	217	209	201	200
Brunswick	426	394	324	321
Columbus	399	454	302	276
District Totals	1,042	1,057	827	797
District 14				
Durham	1,204	1,186	1,660	1,544
District 15A				
Alamance	754	774	713	534
District 15B				
Chatham	292	299	156	195
Orange	471	462	542	508
District Totals	763	761	698	703
District 16				
Robeson	665	681	709	723
Scotland	275	276	347	267
District Totals	940	957	1,056	990
District 17A				
Caswell	128	123	106	94
Rockingham	676	705	365	335
District Totals	804	828	471	429
District 17B				
Stokes	196	206	132	113
Surry	480	476	307	207
District Totals	676	682	439	320

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
District 18				
Guilford	2,302	2,189	2,367	2,380
District 19A				
Cabarrus	694	687	403	244
Rowan	953	939	895	833
District Totals	1,647	1,626	1,298	1,077
District 19B				
Montgomery	184	181	115	53
Randolph	661	578	419	439
District Totals	845	759	534	492
District 20				
Anson	132	113	93	42
Moore	631	555	357	360
Richmond	312	247	289	200
Stanly	462	415	205	143
Union	482	457	294	244
District Totals	2,019	1,787	1,238	989
District 21				
Forsyth	1,899	1,733	1,691	1,715
District 22				
Alexander	136	112	183	121
Davidson	902	831	553	424
Davie	202	198	162	83
Iredell	734	766	464	459
District Totals	1,974	1,907	1,362	1,087
District 23				
Alleghany	105	64	121	62
Ashe	200	209	111	117
Wilkes	283	253	398	347
Yadkin	230	235	92	96
District Totals	818	761	722	622
District 24				
Avery	116	89	97	80
Madison	106	84	71	72
Mitchell	116	92	50	27
Watauga	178	180	211	199
Yancey	108	45	63	45
District Totals	624	490	492	423
District 25				
Burke	487	411	476	425
Caldwell	487	618	337	309
Catawba	704	638	500	253
District Totals	1,678	1,667	1,313	987
District 26				
Mecklenburg	2,984	3,065	4,307	4,441

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS FOR ESTATES AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Estates		Special Proceedings	
	Filed	Disposed	Filed	Disposed
District 27A				
Gaston	1,183	1,276	684	622
District 27B				
Cleveland	606	539	531	400
Lincoln	350	350	189	191
District Totals	956	889	720	591
District 28				
Buncombe	1,525	1,583	1,373	1,137
District 29				
Henderson	753	663	330	371
McDowell	248	200	243	233
Polk	148	177	62	73
Rutherford	506	444	263	193
Transylvania	212	193	103	95
District Totals	1,867	1,677	1,001	965
District 30				
Cherokee	179	170	137	160
Clay	42	28	36	32
Graham	40	43	31	15
Haywood	364	352	226	172
Jackson	163	131	223	188
Macon	223	202	278	266
Swain	52	50	36	47
District Totals	1,063	976	967	880
State Totals	45,013	43,288	41,881	37,951

CASELOAD TRENDS OF CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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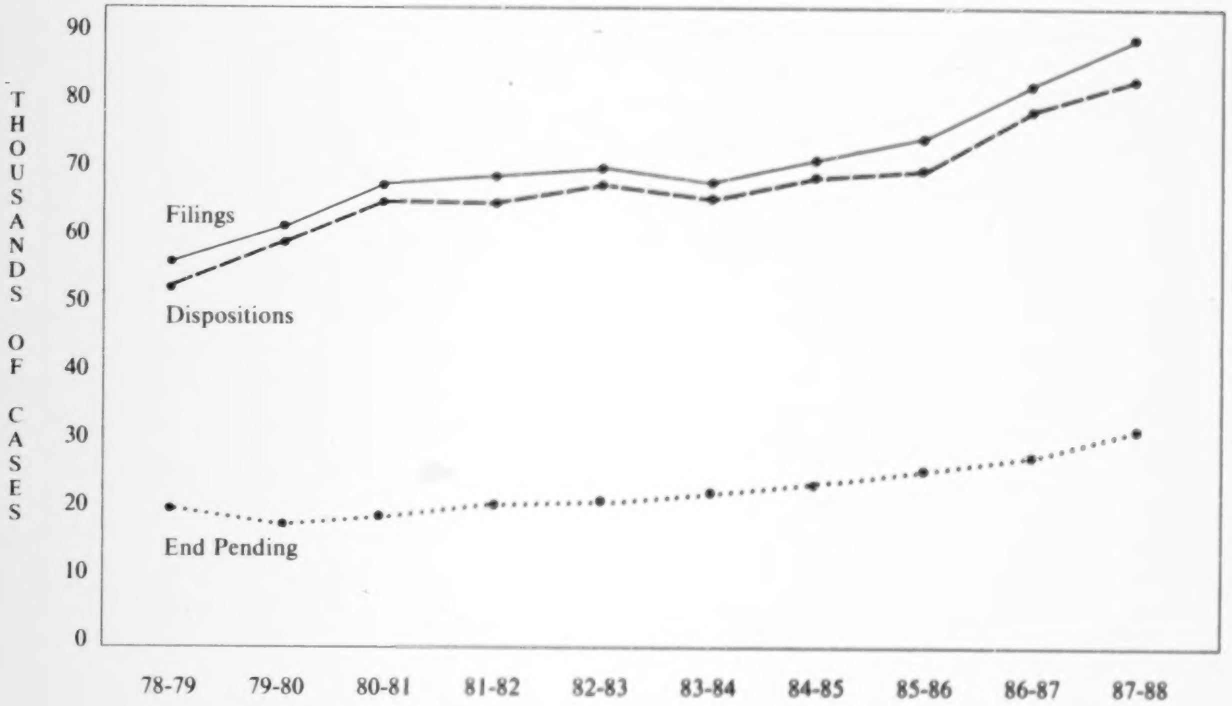

The number of criminal cases filed in the superior court continued to grow in 1987-88 largely due to an 8.0% increase in felony filings compared to 1986-87. Misdemeanor filings increased by 4.3%. Criminal filings grew at a faster pace than criminal dispositions, resulting in a 14.0% increase in the number of criminal cases pending in superior courts on June 30, 1988, as compared to the beginning of the fiscal year.

FILINGS OF CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS — BY TYPE OF CASE

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

A total of 88,948 criminal cases were reported filed in the Superior Courts, of which 55,284 were felonies, and 33,664 misdemeanors. These are broken down into the following specific types of cases:

FELONIES	Number Filed	% of Total Filings
Murder	529	1.0%
Manslaughter	100	0.2%
First Degree Rape	1,391	2.5%
Other Sex Offenses	371	0.7%
Robbery	2,073	3.7%
Assault	1,973	3.6%
Burglary/Breaking or Entering	11,823	21.4%
Larceny	6,454	11.7%
Arson & Burnings	286	0.5%
Forgery & Utterings	6,691	12.1%
Fraudulent Activity	5,045	9.1%
Controlled Substances	11,283	20.4%
Other*	7,265	13.1%
TOTAL	**55,284**	**100.0%**

MISDEMEANORS		
DWI Appeal	6,127	18.2%
Other Motor Vehicle Appeal	5,537	16.4%
Non-Motor Vehicle Appeal	18,209	54.1%
Misdemeanor Originating in Superior Court	3,791	11.3%
TOTAL	**33,664**	**100.0%**

*"Other" felony cases include a wide variety of offenses that do not fit squarely into any of the listed offenses above, including kidnapping, trespassing, crimes against public morality, perjury, and obstructing justice. When more than one offense is charged, the first offense listed in the criminal pleading (originating document) is used to assign the case type given above.

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Felonies						Misdemeanors					
	Begin Pending 7/1/87	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/88	Begin Pending 7/1/87	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/88
District 1												
Camden	7	31	38	27	71.1%	11	18	62	80	61	76.3%	19
Chowan	31	103	134	89	66.4%	45	29	150	179	127	70.9%	52
Currituck	12	74	86	64	74.4%	22	34	179	213	142	66.7%	71
Dare	86	311	397	242	61.0%	155	112	708	820	562	68.5%	258
Gates	17	51	68	48	70.6%	20	22	83	105	75	71.4%	30
Pasquotank	75	205	280	213	77.9%	62	123	542	665	587	88.3%	78
Perquimans	10	57	67	21	31.3%	46	40	112	152	113	74.3%	39
District Totals	238	832	1,070	709	66.3%	361	378	1,836	2,214	1,667	75.3%	547
District 2												
Beaufort	108	366	474	394	83.1%	80	105	326	431	343	79.6%	88
Hyde	16	52	68	34	50.0%	34	2	26	28	18	64.3%	10
Martin	36	173	209	147	70.3%	62	35	63	98	74	75.5%	24
Tyrrell	15	22	37	31	83.8%	6	7	47	54	49	90.7%	5
Washington	20	173	193	150	77.7%	43	21	81	102	84	82.4%	18
District Totals	195	786	981	756	77.1%	225	170	543	713	568	79.7%	145
District 3												
Carteret	51	408	459	404	88.0%	55	12	167	179	153	85.5%	26
Craven	146	566	712	546	76.7%	166	65	560	625	553	88.5%	72
Pamlico	21	42	63	39	61.9%	24	3	39	42	35	83.3%	7
Pitt	372	1,354	1,726	1,295	75.0%	431	314	1,407	1,721	1,356	78.8%	365
District Totals	590	2,370	2,960	2,284	77.2%	676	394	2,173	2,567	2,097	81.7%	470
District 4												
Duplin	17	692	709	649	91.5%	60	11	45	56	51	91.1%	5
Jones	56	64	120	114	95.0%	6	3	16	19	18	94.7%	1
Onslow	260	1,541	1,801	1,520	84.4%	281	32	526	558	482	86.4%	76
Sampson	10	457	467	296	63.4%	171	0	86	86	67	77.9%	19
District Totals	343	2,754	3,097	2,579	83.3%	518	46	673	719	618	86.0%	101
District 5												
New Hanover	418	2,505	2,923	2,282	78.1%	641	125	1,027	1,152	873	75.8%	279
Pender	212	360	572	415	72.6%	157	30	100	130	88	67.7%	42
District Totals	630	2,865	3,495	2,697	77.2%	798	155	1,127	1,282	961	75.0%	321
District 6												
Bertie	61	133	194	161	83.0%	33	13	70	83	34	41.0%	49
Halifax	66	474	540	440	81.5%	100	46	220	266	173	65.0%	93
Hertford	32	176	208	166	79.8%	42	30	120	150	126	84.0%	24
Northampton	23	161	184	113	61.4%	71	9	71	80	33	41.3%	47
District Totals	182	944	1,126	880	78.2%	246	98	481	579	366	63.2%	213
District 7												
Edgecombe	109	355	464	313	67.5%	151	74	241	315	244	77.5%	71
Nash	119	695	814	705	86.6%	109	35	341	376	307	81.6%	69
Wilson	164	482	646	540	83.6%	106	41	248	289	206	71.3%	83
District Totals	392	1,532	1,924	1,558	81.0%	366	150	830	980	757	77.2%	223
District 8												
Greene	17	88	105	84	80.0%	21	12	58	70	60	85.7%	10
Lenoir	78	356	434	333	76.7%	101	95	506	601	514	85.5%	87
Wayne	159	574	733	551	75.2%	182	164	701	865	697	80.6%	168
District Totals	254	1,018	1,272	968	76.1%	304	271	1,265	1,536	1,271	82.7%	265

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CRIMINAL CASES IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

July 1, 1987 – June 30, 1988

	Felonies						Misdemeanors					
	Begin Pending 7/1/87	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/88	Begin Pending 7/1/87	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/88
District 9												
Franklin	84	251	335	235	70.1%	100	60	295	355	221	62.3%	134
Granville	49	305	354	251	70.9%	103	41	172	213	136	63.8%	77
Person	83	274	357	237	66.4%	120	77	173	250	163	65.2%	87
Vance	132	420	552	307	55.6%	245	103	335	438	319	72.8%	119
Warren	30	66	96	82	85.4%	14	37	118	155	95	61.3%	60
District Totals	378	1,316	1,694	1,112	65.6%	582	318	1,093	1,411	934	66.2%	477
District 10												
Wake	1,888	3,992	5,880	4,511	76.7%	1,369	515	1,811	2,326	1,762	75.8%	564
District 11												
Harnett	49	285	334	281	84.1%	53	14	106	120	104	86.7%	16
Johnston	61	330	391	324	82.9%	67	26	494	520	447	86.0%	73
Lee	24	393	417	299	71.7%	118	11	229	240	198	82.5%	42
District Totals	134	1,008	1,142	904	79.2%	238	51	829	880	749	85.1%	131
District 12												
Cumberland	621	1,998	2,619	1,924	73.5%	695	62	291	353	235	66.6%	118
Hoke	35	156	191	150	78.5%	41	13	71	84	69	82.1%	15
District Totals	656	2,154	2,810	2,074	73.8%	736	75	362	437	304	69.6%	133
District 13												
Bladen	42	410	452	125	27.7%	327	31	99	130	106	81.5%	24
Brunswick	342	856	1,198	564	47.1%	634	39	135	174	147	84.5%	27
Columbus	115	231	346	203	58.7%	143	108	257	365	226	61.9%	139
District Totals	499	1,497	1,996	892	44.7%	1,104	178	491	669	479	71.6%	190
District 14												
Durham	737	1,765	2,502	1,880	75.1%	622	250	350	600	398	66.3%	202
District 15A												
Alamance	311	947	1,258	1,045	83.1%	213	155	604	759	651	85.8%	108
District 15B												
Chatham	64	215	279	189	67.7%	90	47	81	128	91	71.1%	37
Orange	187	717	904	677	74.9%	227	29	152	181	140	77.3%	41
District Totals	251	932	1,183	866	73.2%	317	76	233	309	231	74.8%	78
District 16												
Robeson	346	1,761	2,107	1,284	60.9%	823	193	779	972	675	69.4%	297
Scotland	161	428	589	244	41.4%	345	136	250	386	131	33.9%	255
District Totals	507	2,189	2,696	1,528	56.7%	1,168	329	1,029	1,358	806	59.4%	552
District 17A												
Caswell	8	127	135	105	77.8%	30	45	194	239	188	78.7%	51
Rockingham	350	974	1,324	1,000	75.5%	324	229	856	1,085	821	75.7%	264
District Totals	358	1,101	1,459	1,105	75.7%	354	274	1,050	1,324	1,009	76.2%	315
District 17B												
Stokes	53	283	336	261	77.7%	75	31	188	219	199	90.9%	20
Surry	43	595	638	441	69.1%	197	90	610	700	614	87.7%	86
District Totals	96	878	974	702	72.1%	272	121	798	919	813	88.5%	106

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District 18												
Guilford	1,861	3,560	5,421	4,109	75.8%	1,312	286	456	742	607	81.8%	135
District 19A												
Cabarrus	396	724	1,120	844	75.4%	276	264	530	794	573	72.2%	221
Rowan	291	727	1,018	900	88.4%	118	189	488	677	584	86.3%	93
District Totals	687	1,451	2,138	1,744	81.6%	394	453	1,018	1,471	1,157	78.7%	314
District 19B												
Montgomery	71	153	224	169	75.4%	55	125	301	426	268	62.9%	158
Randolph	526	573	1,099	712	64.8%	387	303	740	1,043	742	71.1%	301
District Totals	597	726	1,323	881	66.6%	442	428	1,041	1,469	1,010	68.8%	459
District 20												
Anson	27	183	21 -	160	76.2%	50	72	350	422	326	77.3%	96
Moore	196	537	733	569	77.6%	164	108	442	550	394	71.6%	156
Richmond	106	604	710	581	81.8%	129	94	358	452	342	75.7%	110
Stanly	54	336	390	218	55.9%	172	52	261	313	219	70.0%	94
Union	166	502	668	532	79.6%	136	182	552	734	545	74.3%	189
District Totals	549	2,162	2,711	2,060	76.0%	651	508	1,963	2,471	1,826	73.9%	645
District 21												
Forsyth	813	2,598	3,411	2,542	74.5%	869	316	2,369	2,685	2,011	74.9%	674
District 22												
Alexander	30	91	121	90	74.4%	31	26	186	212	176	83.0%	36
Davidson	227	537	764	599	78.4%	165	94	584	678	568	83.8%	110
Davie	16	90	106	51	48.1%	55	30	214	244	158	64.8%	86
Iredell	150	462	612	416	68.0%	196	121	713	834	621	74.5%	213
District Totals	423	1,180	1,603	1,156	72.1%	447	271	1,697	1,968	1,523	77.4%	445
District 23												
Alleghany	15	17	32	16	50.0%	16	26	45	71	53	74.6%	18
Ashe	73	48	121	74	61.2%	47	45	70	115	52	45.2%	63
Wilkes	136	304	440	345	78.4%	95	144	375	519	393	75.7%	126
Yadkin	16	201	217	146	67.3%	71	4	155	159	119	74.8%	40
District Totals	240	570	810	581	71.7%	229	219	645	864	617	71.4%	247
District 24												
Avery	29	76	105	58	55.2%	47	20	47	67	53	79.1%	14
Madison	24	84	108	41	38.0%	67	13	18	31	10	32.3%	21
Mitchell	62	95	157	100	63.7%	57	20	58	78	49	62.8%	29
Watauga	200	261	461	188	40.8%	273	45	70	115	73	63.5%	42
Yancey	30	52	82	33	40.2%	49	24	18	42	25	59.5%	17
District Totals	345	568	913	420	46.0%	493	122	211	333	210	63.1%	123
District 25												
Burke	329	587	916	521	56.9%	395	323	495	818	497	60.8%	321
Caldwell	200	702	902	597	66.2%	305	218	579	797	574	72.0%	223
Catawba	801	1,012	1,813	1,108	61.1%	705	376	672	1,048	601	57.3%	447
District Totals	1,330	2,301	3,631	2,226	61.3%	1,405	917	1,746	2,663	1,672	62.8%	991
District 26												
Mecklenburg	1,029	3,241	4,270	3,065	71.8%	1,205	511	1,602	2,113	1,534	72.6%	579

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District 27A												
Gaston	317	1,471	1,788	1,396	78.1%	392	221	917	1,138	702	61.7%	436
District 27B												
Cleveland	147	429	576	448	77.8%	128	79	241	320	263	82.2%	57
Lincoln	72	302	374	302	80.7%	72	35	201	236	158	66.9%	78
District Totals	219	731	950	750	78.9%	200	114	442	556	421	75.7%	135
District 28												
Buncombe	282	1,011	1,293	1,011	78.2%	282	123	539	662	609	92.0%	53
District 29												
Henderson	98	380	478	272	56.9%	206	71	190	261	222	85.1%	39
McDowell	100	375	475	370	77.9%	105	55	238	293	227	77.5%	66
Polk	30	53	83	32	38.6%	51	18	49	67	32	47.8%	35
Rutherford	175	379	554	414	74.7%	140	119	376	495	331	66.9%	164
Transylvania	83	276	359	130	36.2%	229	21	54	75	50	66.7%	25
District Totals	486	1,463	1,949	1,218	62.5%	731	284	907	1,191	862	72.4%	329
District 30												
Cherokee	114	272	386	244	63.2%	142	71	74	145	91	62.8%	54
Clay	7	22	29	21	72.4%	8	11	15	26	18	69.2%	8
Graham	41	46	87	60	69.0%	27	17	51	68	42	61.8%	26
Haywood	101	506	607	446	73.5%	161	32	238	270	212	78.5%	58
Jackson	77	282	359	179	49.9%	180	18	47	65	39	60.0%	26
Macon	63	109	172	122	70.9%	50	13	63	76	51	67.1%	25
Swain	57	134	191	139	72.8%	52	13	45	58	48	82.8%	10
District Totals	460	1,371	1,831	1,211	66.1%	620	175	533	708	501	70.8%	207
State Totals	18,277	55,284	73,561	53,420	72.6%	20,141	8,952	33,664	42,616	31,703	74.4%	10,913

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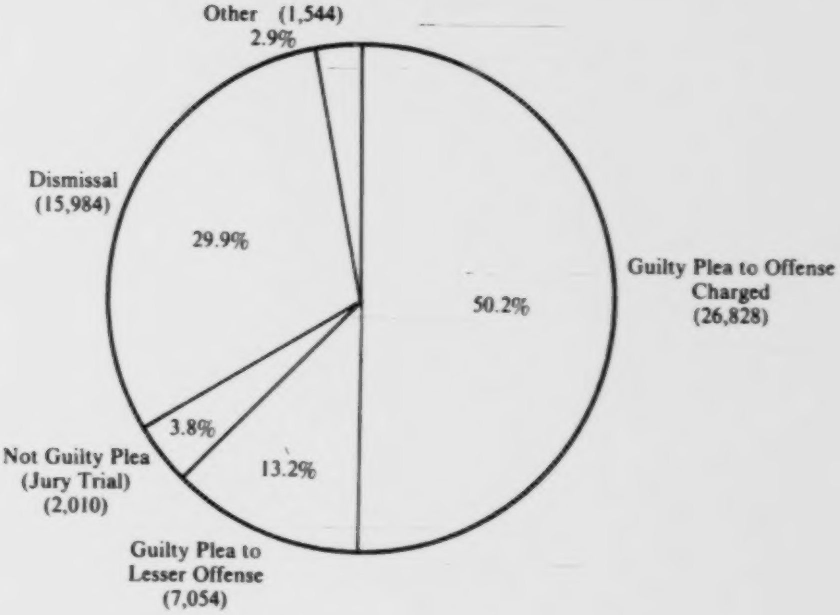

Guilty pleas continue to account for more than 60% of all superior court felony dispositions, with the overwhelming majority of these being guilty pleas to the offense as charged. Dismissals on this chart include voluntary dismissals with and without leave, and speedy trial dismissals. "Other" dispositions, i.e., those which do not fall into the specific categories given on this chart, may include change of venue, dismissal by the court, no true bill, dispositions of writs of habeas corpus from fugitive warrants, and dispositions of probation violations from other countries.

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal						
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
District 1										
Camden	8	6	2	3	0	0	0	8	27	9
Chowan	3	57	8	16	2	0	0	3	89	74
Currituck	36	1	5	16	0	0	0	6	64	37
Dare	113	14	11	92	1	0	0	11	242	16
Gates	7	31	1	7	0	0	0	2	43	40
Pasquotank	86	40	21	64	5	0	0	2	218	159
Perquimans	8	6	0	3	0	0	0	4	21	13
District Totals	261	155	48	201	8	0	0	36	709	348
% of Total	36.8%	21.9%	6.8%	28.3%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	5.1%	100.0%	49.1%
District 2										
Beaufort	221	67	26	65	8	0	2	5	394	311
Hyde	20	1	2	8	0	0	0	3	34	20
Martin	101	14	15	8	6	0	0	3	147	103
Tyrrell	20	1	3	3	4	0	0	0	31	13
Washington	92	13	7	28	6	0	0	4	150	88
District Totals	454	96	53	112	24	0	2	15	756	535
% of Total	60.1%	12.7%	7.0%	14.8%	3.2%	0.0%	0.3%	2.0%	100.0%	70.8%
District 3										
Carteret	225	15	0	133	15	0	0	16	404	230
Craven	279	57	3	171	27	0	0	9	546	372
Pamlico	16	6	0	13	1	0	0	3	39	34
Pitt	655	302	42	246	39	0	0	11	1,295	1,009
District Totals	1,175	380	45	563	82	0	0	39	2,284	1,645
% of Total	51.4%	16.6%	2.0%	24.6%	3.6%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	100.0%	72.0%
District 4										
Duplin	291	126	11	219	0	0	0	2	649	600
Jones	51	4	3	56	0	0	0	0	114	107
Onslow	573	167	63	671	24	0	0	22	1,520	696
Sampson	177	27	5	80	2	0	0	5	296	154
District Totals	1,092	324	82	1,026	26	0	0	29	2,579	1,557
% of Total	42.3%	12.6%	3.2%	39.8%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	100.0%	60.4%
District 5										
New Hanover	1,313	332	55	541	28	0	0	13	2,282	991
Pender	161	47	14	186	1	0	0	6	415	269
District Totals	1,474	379	69	727	29	0	0	19	2,697	1,260
% of Total	54.7%	14.1%	2.6%	27.0%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	100.0%	46.7%
District 6										
Bertie	22	82	16	35	3	0	0	3	161	111
Halifax	141	41	17	223	6	9	1	2	440	334
Hertford	86	14	17	33	1	0	0	15	166	118
Northampton	54	7	13	35	1	0	0	3	113	88
District Totals	303	144	63	326	11	9	1	23	880	651
% of Total	34.4%	16.4%	7.2%	37.0%	1.3%	1.0%	0.1%	2.6%	100.0%	74.0%
District 7										
Edgecombe	128	25	9	132	7	0	0	12	313	146
Nash	359	66	17	227	25	0	0	11	705	408
Wilson	336	36	35	104	4	0	0	25	540	381
District Totals	823	127	61	463	36	0	0	48	1,558	935
% of Total	52.8%	8.2%	3.9%	29.7%	2.3%	0.0%	0.0%	3.1%	100.0%	60.0%

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	As Charged	Lesser Offense		Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution				
District 8										
Greene	3	44	2	30	3	0	0	2	84	64
Lenoir	162	31	28	80	22	0	0	10	333	237
Wayne	232	93	35	167	10	0	0	14	551	326
District Totals	397	168	65	277	35	0	0	26	968	627
% of Total	41.0%	17.4%	6.7%	28.6%	3.6%	0.0%	0.0%	2.7%	100.0%	64.8%
District 9										
Franklin	114	33	5	71	2	0	0	10	235	189
Granville	152	35	11	43	1	0	0	9	251	183
Person	118	49	15	46	2	0	0	7	237	170
Vance	189	0	6	81	16	0	0	15	307	186
Warren	60	9	1	12	0	0	0	0	82	68
District Totals	633	126	38	253	21	0	0	41	1,112	796
% of Total	56.9%	11.3%	3.4%	22.8%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	3.7%	100.0%	71.6%
District 10										
Wake	2,368	328	78	1,232	396	0	28	81	4,511	2,628
% of Total	52.5%	7.3%	1.7%	27.3%	8.8%	0.0%	0.6%	1.8%	100.0%	58.3%
District 11										
Harnett	155	38	8	59	0	0	0	21	281	147
Johnston	202	45	5	64	4	0	0	4	324	246
Lee	188	53	8	33	10	0	0	7	299	230
District Totals	545	136	21	156	14	0	0	32	904	623
% of Total	60.3%	15.0%	2.3%	17.3%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	3.5%	100.0%	68.9%
District 12										
Cumberland	1,307	137	63	327	35	0	0	55	1,924	1,336
Hoke	116	2	4	17	1	0	0	10	150	110
District Totals	1,423	139	67	344	36	0	0	65	2,074	1,446
% of Total	68.6%	6.7%	3.2%	16.6%	1.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3.1%	100.0%	69.7%
District 13										
Bladen	51	21	5	41	2	0	0	5	125	71
Brunswick	234	82	26	204	13	0	0	5	564	404
Columbus	79	6	14	86	2	0	1	15	203	99
District Totals	364	109	45	331	17	0	1	25	892	574
% of Total	40.8%	12.2%	5.0%	37.1%	1.9%	0.0%	0.1%	2.8%	100.0%	64.3%
District 14										
Durham	1,078	233	43	418	74	0	0	34	1,880	1,319
% of Total	57.3%	12.4%	2.3%	22.2%	3.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	100.0%	70.2%
District 15A										
Alamance	657	91	50	215	8	0	0	24	1,045	816
% of Total	62.9%	8.7%	4.8%	20.6%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	100.0%	78.1%
District 15B										
Chatham	100	16	16	49	4	0	0	4	189	143
Orange	377	25	7	192	21	0	0	55	677	395
District Totals	477	41	23	241	25	0	0	59	866	538
% of Total	55.1%	4.7%	2.7%	27.8%	2.9%	0.0%	0.0%	6.8%	100.0%	62.1%
District 16										
Robeson	1,053	26	109	44	18	0	3	31	1,284	247
Scotland	201	15	9	2	0	1	0	16	244	89
District Totals	1,254	41	118	46	18	1	3	47	1,528	336
% of Total	82.1%	2.7%	7.7%	3.0%	1.2%	0.1%	0.2%	3.1%	100.0%	22.0%

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District 17A										
Caswell	47	31	15	7	0	0	0	5	105	60
Rockingham	706	78	20	169	14	0	0	13	1,000	765
District Totals	753	109	35	176	14	0	0	18	1,105	825
% of Total	68.1%	9.9%	3.2%	15.9%	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%	100.0%	74.7%
District 17B										
Stokes	199	6	19	1	0	0	0	36	261	64
Surry	370	21	7	24	6	0	0	13	441	173
District Totals	569	27	26	25	6	0	0	49	702	237
% of Total	81.1%	3.8%	3.7%	3.6%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	7.0%	100.0%	33.8%
District 18										
Guilford	2,655	217	129	843	180	0	0	85	4,109	2,762
% of Total	64.6%	5.3%	3.1%	20.5%	4.4%	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%	100.0%	67.2%
District 19A										
Cabarrus	320	125	31	350	5	0	0	13	844	405
Rowan	331	206	31	301	13	0	0	18	900	575
District Totals	651	331	62	651	18	0	0	31	1,744	980
% of Total	37.3%	19.0%	3.6%	37.3%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	100.0%	56.2%
District 19B										
Montgomery	61	23	10	60	0	0	0	15	169	82
Randolph	328	52	47	201	58	1	0	25	712	342
District Totals	389	75	57	261	58	1	0	40	881	424
% of Total	44.2%	8.5%	6.5%	29.6%	6.6%	0.1%	0.0%	4.5%	100.0%	48.1%
District 20										
Anson	31	70	7	45	0	0	0	7	160	103
Moore	175	81	11	275	0	0	0	27	569	318
Richmond	248	46	14	241	6	0	0	26	581	443
Stanly	77	39	9	78	0	0	0	15	218	166
Union	239	71	11	185	6	0	0	20	532	416
District Totals	770	307	52	824	12	0	0	95	2,060	1,446
% of Total	37.4%	14.9%	2.5%	40.0%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	4.6%	100.0%	70.2%
District 21										
Forsyth	1,539	433	76	368	60	0	0	66	2,542	1,500
% of Total	60.5%	17.0%	3.0%	14.5%	2.4%	0.0%	0.0%	2.6%	100.0%	59.0%
District 22										
Alexander	41	9	8	28	0	0	0	4	90	64
Davidson	387	42	12	116	6	0	0	36	599	368
Davie	28	3	6	6	0	0	0	8	51	20
Iredell	238	26	30	100	0	0	0	22	416	208
District Totals	694	80	56	250	6	0	0	70	1,156	660
% of Total	60.0%	6.9%	4.8%	21.6%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	6.1%	100.0%	57.1%
District 23										
Alleghany	3	7	5	1	0	0	0	0	16	13
Ashe	28	9	2	21	10	0	0	4	74	44
Wilkes	215	37	11	42	19	0	0	21	345	159
Yadkin	126	9	3	7	0	0	0	1	146	131
District Totals	372	62	21	71	29	0	0	26	581	347
% of Total	64.0%	10.7%	3.6%	12.2%	5.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.5%	100.0%	59.7%

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District 24										
Avery	0	16	21	19	1	0	0	1	58	32
Madison	13	11	8	4	1	1	0	3	41	28
Mitchell	13	32	2	49	1	1	0	2	100	78
Watauga	41	71	13	63	0	0	0	0	188	156
Yancey	0	13	5	15	0	0	0	0	33	21
District Totals	67	143	49	150	3	2	0	6	420	315
% of Total	16.0%	34.0%	11.7%	35.7%	0.7%	0.5%	0.0%	1.4%	100.0%	75.0%
District 25										
Burke	188	68	16	210	33	0	0	6	521	181
Caldwell	205	87	13	252	28	0	0	12	597	445
Catawba	503	0	27	462	34	0	0	82	1,108	489
District Totals	896	155	56	924	95	0	0	100	2,226	1,115
% of Total	40.3%	7.0%	2.5%	41.5%	4.3%	0.0%	0.0%	4.5%	100.0%	50.1%
District 26										
Mecklenburg	229	1,622	96	856	190	0	3	69	3,065	1,633
% of Total	7.5%	52.9%	3.1%	27.9%	6.2%	0.0%	0.1%	2.3%	100.0%	53.3%
District 27A										
Gaston	543	93	82	515	101	0	1	61	1,396	617
% of Total	38.9%	6.7%	5.9%	36.9%	7.2%	0.0%	0.1%	4.4%	100.0%	44.2%
District 27B										
Cleveland	163	56	17	190	7	0	0	15	448	92
Lincoln	169	16	14	74	5	0	0	24	302	166
District Totals	332	72	31	264	12	0	0	39	750	258
% of Total	44.3%	9.6%	4.1%	35.2%	1.6%	0.0%	0.0%	5.2%	100.0%	34.4%
District 28										
Buncombe	667	46	16	228	39	0	0	15	1,011	687
% of Total	66.0%	4.5%	1.6%	22.6%	3.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.5%	100.0%	68.0%
District 29										
Henderson	153	24	6	57	24	0	0	8	272	166
McDowell	226	35	5	96	6	0	0	2	370	324
Polk	7	4	1	19	0	0	0	1	32	9
Rutherford	223	62	22	93	9	0	0	5	414	298
Transylvania	39	17	7	49	14	0	0	4	130	82
District Totals	648	142	41	314	53	0	0	20	1,218	879
% of Total	53.2%	11.7%	3.4%	25.8%	4.4%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%	100.0%	72.2%
District 30										
Cherokee	0	3	96	118	4	0	0	23	244	202
Clay	10	3	2	5	0	0	0	1	21	13
Graham	2	7	1	43	1	6	0	0	60	16
Haywood	151	55	39	165	3	0	0	33	446	257
Jackson	57	19	3	77	2	0	0	21	179	162
Macon	19	17	6	75	1	0	0	4	122	92
Swain	37	19	9	43	2	0	0	29	139	100
District Totals	276	123	156	526	13	6	0	111	1,211	842
% of Total	22.8%	10.2%	12.9%	43.4%	1.1%	0.5%	0.0%	9.2%	100.0%	69.5%
State Totals	26,828	7,054	2,010	14,177	1,749	19	39	1,544	53,420	32,161
% of Total	50.2%	13.2%	3.8%	26.5%	3.3%	0.0%	0.1%	2.9%	100.0%	60.2%

MANNER OF DISPOSITION OF MISDEMEANORS IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

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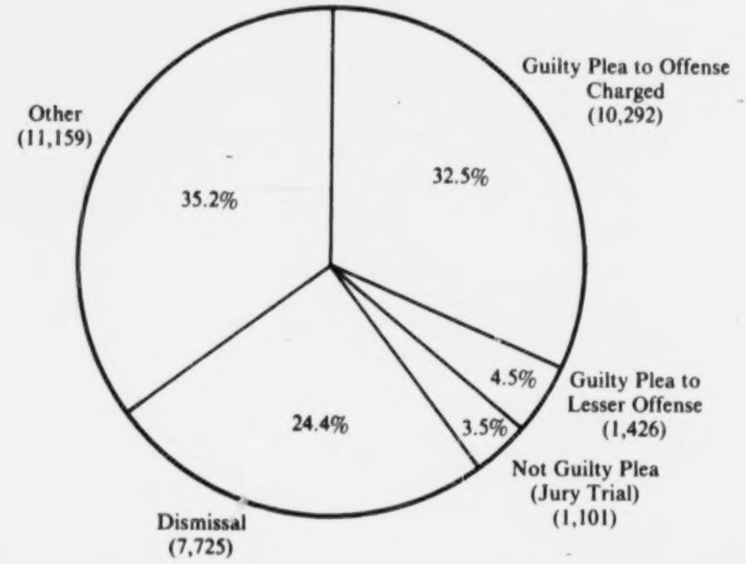

Guilty pleas account for 37% of misdemeanor dispositions in superior court, the overwhelming majority of which are guilty pleas to the offense charged. The "other" category on this chart includes withdrawn appeals, cases remanded to district court for judgment, and other miscellaneous dispositions such as change of venue, dismissal by the court, no true bill, probation violations from other counties, and dispositions of writs of habeas corpus from fugitive warrants. Dismissals on this chart include voluntary dismissals with and without leave, and speedy trial dismissals.

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal						
	As Charged	Lesser Offense	Jury Trials	Without Leave	With Leave	After Deferred Prosecution	Speedy Trial Dismissals	Other	Total Dispositions	Total Negotiated Pleas
District 1										
Camden	32	8	2	4	4	0	0	11	61	15
Chowan	35	8	0	21	0	0	0	63	127	35
Currituck	76	8	7	13	8	0	0	30	142	37
Dare	146	7	14	74	2	0	0	319	562	9
Gates	22	15	2	10	3	0	0	23	75	18
Pasquotank	153	6	14	66	32	0	0	316	587	78
Perquimans	62	12	6	11	0	0	0	22	113	29
District Totals	526	64	45	199	49	0	0	784	1,667	221
% of Total	31.6%	3.8%	2.7%	11.9%	2.9%	0.0%	0.0%	47.0%	100.0%	13.3%
District 2										
Beaufort	109	22	14	67	11	0	0	120	343	109
Hyde	9	0	2	0	0	0	0	7	18	3
Martin	24	6	9	5	16	0	0	14	74	15
Tyrrell	32	0	2	4	1	0	0	10	49	6
Washington	19	3	7	6	3	0	0	46	84	2
District Totals	193	31	34	82	31	0	0	197	568	135
% of Total	34.0%	5.5%	6.0%	14.4%	5.5%	0.0%	0.0%	34.7%	100.0%	23.8%
District 3										
Carteret	74	5	0	21	0	0	0	53	153	21
Craven	217	27	9	67	19	0	0	214	553	151
Pamlico	16	4	0	8	0	0	0	7	35	21
Pitt	568	29	37	151	130	0	0	441	1,356	366
District Totals	875	65	46	247	149	0	0	715	2,097	559
% of Total	41.7%	3.1%	2.2%	11.8%	7.1%	0.0%	0.0%	34.1%	100.0%	26.7%
District 4										
Duplin	8	3	2	23	0	0	0	15	51	27
Jones	3	5	4	1	2	0	0	3	18	8
Onslow	215	8	31	134	11	0	0	83	482	172
Sampson	24	2	4	26	1	0	0	10	67	17
District Totals	250	18	41	184	14	0	0	111	618	224
% of Total	40.5%	2.9%	6.6%	29.8%	2.3%	0.0%	0.0%	18.0%	100.0%	36.2%
District 5										
New Hanover	449	52	22	194	21	0	0	135	873	231
Pender	41	8	10	17	2	0	0	10	88	29
District Totals	490	60	32	211	23	0	0	145	961	260
% of Total	51.0%	6.2%	3.3%	22.0%	2.4%	0.0%	0.0%	15.1%	100.0%	27.1%
District 6										
Bertie	3	10	1	13	1	0	0	6	34	17
Halifax	36	0	4	30	9	0	0	94	173	62
Hertford	20	1	2	14	6	0	0	83	126	20
Northampton	9	0	0	11	1	0	0	12	33	13
District Totals	68	11	7	68	17	0	0	195	366	112
% of Total	18.6%	3.0%	1.9%	18.6%	4.6%	0.0%	0.0%	53.3%	100.0%	30.6%
District 7										
Edgecombe	78	3	7	65	21	0	0	70	244	53
Nash	104	16	4	76	19	0	0	88	307	40
Wilson	49	5	6	46	6	0	0	94	206	36
District Totals	231	24	17	187	46	0	0	252	757	129
% of Total	30.5%	3.2%	2.2%	24.7%	6.1%	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	100.0%	17.0%

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	Guilty Pleas			DA Dismissal						
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District 8										
Greene	14	24	2	11	2	0	0	7	60	11
Lenoir	158	36	16	104	28	0	0	172	514	155
Wayne	137	65	27	131	23	0	0	314	697	178
District Totals	309	125	45	246	53	0	0	493	1,271	344
% of Total	24.3%	9.8%	3.5%	19.4%	4.2%	0.0%	0.0%	38.8%	100.0%	27.1%
District 9										
Franklin	111	8	0	36	0	0	0	66	221	121
Granville	41	8	3	35	4	0	0	45	136	48
Person	52	8	1	37	5	0	0	60	163	60
Vance	174	0	9	84	4	0	0	48	319	156
Warren	44	4	0	18	3	0	0	26	95	46
District Totals	422	28	13	210	16	0	0	245	934	431
% of Total	45.2%	3.0%	1.4%	22.5%	1.7%	0.0%	0.0%	26.2%	100.0%	46.1%
District 10										
Wake	396	31	30	283	439	0	7	576	1,762	380
% of Total	22.5%	1.8%	1.7%	16.1%	24.9%	0.0%	0.4%	32.7%	100.0%	21.6%
District 11										
Harnett	37	8	5	14	0	0	0	40	104	32
Johnston	119	32	8	51	15	0	0	222	447	138
Lee	87	6	2	38	5	0	0	60	198	105
District Totals	243	46	15	103	20	0	0	322	749	275
% of Total	32.4%	6.1%	2.0%	13.8%	2.7%	0.0%	0.0%	43.0%	100.0%	36.7%
District 12										
Cumberland	66	0	25	25	14	0	0	105	235	59
Hoke	22	2	1	9	6	0	0	29	69	17
District Totals	88	2	26	34	20	0	0	134	304	76
% of Total	28.9%	0.7%	8.6%	11.2%	6.6%	0.0%	0.0%	44.1%	100.0%	25.0%
District 13										
Bladen	24	9	5	25	3	0	0	40	106	28
Brunswick	52	14	13	30	11	0	0	27	147	49
Columbus	74	4	19	32	5	1	0	91	226	67
District Totals	150	27	37	87	19	1	0	158	479	144
% of Total	31.3%	5.6%	7.7%	18.2%	4.0%	0.2%	0.0%	33.0%	100.0%	30.1%
District 14										
Durham	118	21	13	89	19	0	0	138	398	140
% of Total	29.6%	5.3%	3.3%	22.4%	4.8%	0.0%	0.0%	34.7%	100.0%	35.2%
District 15A										
Alamance	296	9	22	98	18	0	0	208	651	289
% of Total	45.5%	1.4%	3.4%	15.1%	2.8%	0.0%	0.0%	32.0%	100.0%	44.4%
District 15B										
Chatham	20	6	8	7	0	0	0	50	91	25
Orange	18	1	5	69	2	0	0	45	140	18
District Totals	38	7	13	76	2	0	0	95	231	43
% of Total	16.5%	3.0%	5.6%	32.9%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	41.1%	100.0%	18.6%
District 16										
Robeson	273	1	53	25	14	0	4	300	675	68
Scotland	43	2	7	3	0	0	0	76	131	16
District Totals	316	3	65	28	14	0	4	376	806	84
% of Total	39.2%	0.4%	8.1%	3.5%	1.7%	0.0%	0.5%	46.7%	100.0%	10.4%

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District 17A										
Caswell	69	45	11	38	0	0	0	25	188	58
Rockingham	426	35	22	82	31	0	0	225	821	370
District Totals	495	80	33	120	31	0	0	250	1,009	428
% of Total	49.1%	7.9%	3.3%	11.9%	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%	24.8%	100.0%	42.4%
District 17B										
Stokes	118	6	12	3	7	0	0	53	199	15
Surry	271	2	16	18	31	0	0	276	614	81
District Totals	389	8	28	21	38	0	0	329	813	96
% of Total	47.8%	1.0%	3.4%	2.6%	4.7%	0.0%	0.0%	40.5%	100.0%	11.8%
District 18										
Guilford	257	8	20	126	48	0	0	148	607	244
% of Total	42.3%	1.3%	3.3%	20.8%	7.9%	0.0%	0.0%	24.4%	100.0%	40.2%
District 19A										
Cabarrus	202	14	18	106	55	0	0	178	573	94
Rowan	123	16	19	161	51	0	0	214	584	108
District Totals	325	30	37	267	106	0	0	392	1,157	202
% of Total	28.1%	2.6%	3.2%	23.1%	9.2%	0.0%	0.0%	33.9%	100.0%	17.5%
District 19B										
Montgomery	77	11	0	77	0	0	0	103	268	71
Randolph	321	11	14	106	94	0	0	196	742	218
District Totals	398	22	14	183	94	0	0	299	1,010	289
% of Total	39.4%	2.2%	1.4%	18.1%	9.3%	0.0%	0.0%	29.6%	100.0%	28.6%
District 20										
Anson	80	61	9	70	1	0	0	105	326	92
Moore	130	11	5	118	0	0	0	130	394	165
Richmond	96	13	0	99	4	0	0	130	342	169
Stanly	65	8	1	39	4	0	0	102	219	55
Union	144	31	4	157	18	0	0	191	545	213
District Totals	515	124	19	483	27	0	0	658	1,826	694
% of Total	28.2%	6.8%	1.0%	26.5%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	36.0%	100.0%	38.0%
District 21										
Forsyth	851	79	31	269	140	0	0	641	2,011	690
% of Total	42.3%	3.9%	1.5%	13.4%	7.0%	0.0%	0.0%	31.9%	100.0%	34.3%
District 22										
Alexander	25	4	3	22	4	0	0	118	176	21
Davidson	122	9	8	88	31	0	0	310	568	92
Davie	33	5	3	5	0	0	0	112	158	8
Iredell	123	7	13	85	12	0	0	381	621	68
District Totals	303	25	27	200	47	0	0	921	1,523	189
% of Total	19.9%	1.6%	1.8%	13.1%	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%	60.5%	100.0%	12.4%
District 23										
Alleghany	2	0	9	14	1	0	0	27	53	7
Ashe	15	1	6	9	2	0	0	19	52	14
Wilkes	85	15	19	25	15	0	0	234	393	28
Yadkin	45	7	6	6	2	0	0	53	119	43
District Totals	147	23	40	54	20	0	0	333	617	92
% of Total	23.8%	3.7%	6.5%	8.8%	3.2%	0.0%	0.0%	54.0%	100.0%	14.9%

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District 24										
Avery	1	8	25	11	0	0	0	8	53	17
Madison	3	0	2	3	0	1	0	1	10	3
Mitchell	7	2	3	22	1	0	0	14	49	13
Watauga	16	3	7	31	2	0	0	14	73	28
Yancey	2	6	6	11	0	0	0	0	25	8
District Totals	29	19	43	78	3	1	0	37	210	69
% of Total	13.8%	9.0%	20.5%	37.1%	1.4%	0.5%	0.0%	17.6%	100.0%	32.9%
District 25										
Burke	87	23	11	94	35	0	0	247	497	48
Caldwell	80	43	9	130	37	0	0	275	574	195
Catawba	157	0	14	112	82	0	0	236	601	122
District Totals	324	66	34	336	154	0	0	758	1,672	365
% of Total	19.4%	3.9%	2.0%	20.1%	9.2%	0.0%	0.0%	45.3%	100.0%	21.8%
District 26										
Mecklenburg	96	289	64	630	45	0	2	408	1,534	293
% of Total	6.3%	18.8%	4.2%	41.1%	2.9%	0.0%	0.1%	26.6%	100.0%	19.1%
District 27A										
Gaston	153	5	63	191	101	0	0	189	702	107
% of Total	21.8%	0.7%	9.0%	27.2%	14.4%	0.0%	0.0%	26.9%	100.0%	15.2%
District 27B										
Cleveland	54	23	23	74	4	0	0	85	263	9
Lincoln	38	6	11	45	1	0	0	57	158	26
District Totals	92	29	34	119	5	0	0	142	421	35
% of Total	21.9%	6.9%	8.1%	28.3%	1.2%	0.0%	0.0%	33.7%	100.0%	8.3%
District 28										
Buncombe	371	7	18	60	45	0	0	108	609	241
% of Total	60.9%	1.1%	3.0%	9.9%	7.4%	0.0%	0.0%	17.7%	100.0%	39.6%
District 29										
Henderson	113	4	6	32	5	0	0	62	222	93
McDowell	121	3	8	47	9	0	0	39	227	121
Polk	11	1	1	8	0	0	0	11	32	9
Rutherford	138	8	17	63	15	0	0	90	331	132
Transylvania	14	3	4	18	3	0	0	8	50	23
District Totals	397	19	36	168	32	0	0	210	862	378
% of Total	46.1%	2.2%	4.2%	19.5%	3.7%	0.0%	0.0%	24.4%	100.0%	43.9%
District 30										
Cherokee	1	3	31	24	0	0	0	32	91	38
Clay	7	0	3	2	0	0	0	6	18	6
Graham	24	4	0	3	0	1	0	10	42	12
Haywood	89	6	15	27	0	0	0	75	212	85
Jackson	3	6	4	8	0	0	0	18	39	15
Macon	9	1	2	13	0	0	0	26	51	15
Swain	8	1	4	10	0	0	0	25	48	13
District Totals	141	21	59	87	0	1	0	192	501	184
% of Total	28.1%	4.2%	11.8%	17.4%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	38.3%	100.0%	36.7%
State Totals	10,292	1,426	1,101	5,824	1,885	3	13	11,159	31,703	8,442
% of Total	32.5%	4.5%	3.5%	18.4%	5.9%	0.0%	0.0%	35.2%	100.0%	26.6%

AGES OF FELONY (FEL) AND MISDEMEANOR (MIS) CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1988

		Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 1										
Camden	Fel	4	1	0	6	0	0	11	160.9	241.0
	Mis	11	1	1	4	2	0	19	145.3	80.0
Chowan	Fel	21	16	3	3	2	0	45	94.5	108.0
	Mis	31	9	2	8	2	0	52	96.4	61.5
Currituck	Fel	4	1	5	8	4	0	22	257.0	265.0
	Mis	34	5	12	11	9	0	71	160.7	115.0
Dare	Fel	67	16	16	37	19	0	155	162.8	97.0
	Mis	86	33	47	80	10	2	258	154.7	126.0
Gates	Fel	18	0	1	0	1	0	20	60.7	38.0
	Mis	18	4	1	5	2	0	30	117.5	63.0
Pasquotank	Fel	42	12	3	5	0	0	62	68.4	42.0
	Mis	53	7	3	15	0	0	78	97.7	63.0
Perquimans	Fel	7	19	17	2	1	0	46	122.5	106.0
	Mis	12	3	7	13	3	1	39	205.4	134.0
Dist Totals	Fel	163	65	45	61	27	0	361	132.9	97.0
% of Total		45.2%	18.0%	12.5%	16.9%	7.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	245	62	73	136	28	3	547	143.1	105.0
% of Total		44.8%	11.3%	13.3%	24.9%	5.1%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 2										
Beaufort	Fel	43	10	7	12	1	7	80	230.1	69.0
	Mis	58	6	13	11	0	0	88	80.5	44.0
Hyde	Fel	27	0	3	2	2	0	34	62.1	10.0
	Mis	9	0	1	0	0	0	10	25.0	10.0
Martin	Fel	40	0	19	0	3	0	62	109.1	75.5
	Mis	12	1	2	9	0	0	24	120.7	87.0
Tyrrell	Fel	1	0	1	4	0	0	6	161.1	183.0
	Mis	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	49.0	52.0
Washington	Fel	9	4	23	6	1	0	43	128.6	121.0
	Mis	14	0	1	3	0	0	18	66.1	42.5
Dist Totals	Fel	120	14	53	26	7	7	225	150.2	80.0
% of Total		53.3%	6.2%	23.6%	10.7%	3.1%	3.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	98	7	17	23	0	0	145	80.4	45.0
% of Total		67.6%	4.8%	11.7%	15.9%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 3										
Carteret	Fel	31	12	3	1	8	0	55	143.2	78.0
	Mis	14	4	3	5	0	0	26	103.8	75.0
Craven	Fel	114	7	13	30	2	0	166	85.5	20.5
	Mis	55	9	4	4	0	0	72	69.6	51.0
Pamlico	Fel	15	0	7	1	0	1	24	123.1	52.0
	Mis	2	1	2	2	0	0	7	142.0	146.0
Pitt	Fel	280	54	46	39	7	5	431	94.9	58.0
	Mis	222	45	55	42	1	0	365	84.8	48.0
Dist Totals	Fel	440	73	69	71	17	6	676	97.5	52.0
% of Total		65.1%	10.8%	10.2%	10.5%	2.5%	0.9%	100.0%		
	Mis	293	59	64	53	1	0	470	84.4	51.0
% of Total		62.3%	12.6%	13.6%	11.3%	0.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 4										
Duplin	Fel	53	0	3	4	0	0	60	45.7	10.0
	Mis	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	17.8	23.0
Jones	Fel	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	37.5	37.5
	Mis	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	135.0	135.0
Onslow	Fel	228	12	18	21	2	0	281	64.8	50.0
	Mis	62	10	1	3	0	0	76	48.7	29.0
Sampson	Fel	171	0	0	0	0	0	171	29.7	27.0
	Mis	17	2	0	0	0	0	19	27.6	13.0
Dist Totals	Fel	458	12	21	25	2	0	518	50.7	28.0
% of Total		88.4%	2.3%	4.1%	4.8%	0.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	84	12	2	3	0	0	101	44.0	28.0
% of Total		83.2%	11.9%	2.0%	3.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

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District 5										
New Hanover	Fel	360	82	72	98	29	0	641	113.0	71.0
	Mis	153	30	41	47	8	0	279	109.2	76.0
Pender	Fel	135	3	2	15	0	2	157	85.1	59.0
	Mis	27	3	4	6	2	0	42	106.3	49.0
Dist Totals	Fel	495	85	74	113	29	2	798	107.5	64.0
% of Total		62.0%	10.7%	9.3%	14.2%	3.6%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	180	33	45	53	10	0	321	108.8	73.0
% of Total		56.1%	10.3%	14.0%	16.5%	3.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 6										
Bertie	Fel	20	0	6	5	2	0	33	118.8	77.0
	Mis	20	2	5	13	8	1	49	194.7	126.0
Halifax	Fel	48	21	8	21	2	0	100	110.0	91.0
	Mis	43	10	8	22	10	0	93	150.6	97.0
Hertford	Fel	20	6	7	7	1	1	42	127.8	107.0
	Mis	11	9	2	1	1	0	24	107.6	106.5
Northampton	Fel	28	10	22	11	0	0	71	109.1	115.0
	Mis	13	8	10	16	0	0	47	153.1	123.0
Dist Totals	Fel	116	37	43	44	5	1	246	114.0	101.0
% of Total		47.2%	15.0%	17.5%	17.9%	2.0%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	87	29	25	52	19	1	213	156.5	113.0
% of Total		40.8%	13.6%	11.7%	24.4%	8.9%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 7										
Edgecombe	Fel	83	14	20	19	15	0	151	128.4	78.0
	Mis	28	7	13	13	10	0	71	153.2	125.0
Nash	Fel	90	9	0	9	1	0	109	58.3	38.0
	Mis	48	7	6	7	0	1	69	83.7	38.0
Wilson	Fel	28	39	11	17	10	1	106	170.7	115.0
	Mis	36	4	20	16	4	3	83	154.3	129.0
Dist Totals	Fel	201	62	31	45	26	1	366	119.8	78.0
% of Total		54.9%	16.9%	8.5%	12.3%	7.1%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	112	18	39	36	14	4	223	132.1	86.0
% of Total		50.2%	8.1%	17.5%	16.1%	6.3%	1.8%	100.0%		
District 8										
Greene	Fel	14	0	3	2	2	0	21	111.3	45.0
	Mis	8	1	1	0	0	0	10	62.0	56.5
Lenoir	Fel	42	10	12	36	1	0	101	138.6	92.0
	Mis	62	9	4	11	1	0	87	76.7	50.0
Wayne	Fel	103	26	20	26	7	0	182	103.0	64.0
	Mis	83	22	23	36	3	1	168	124.6	96.0
Dist Totals	Fel	159	36	35	64	10	0	304	115.4	83.0
% of Total		52.3%	11.8%	11.5%	21.1%	3.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	153	32	28	47	4	1	265	106.5	69.0
% of Total		57.7%	12.1%	10.6%	17.7%	1.5%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 9										
Franklin	Fel	67	3	19	2	7	2	100	107.8	50.0
	Mis	83	18	4	5	12	12	134	198.7	37.0
Granville	Fel	82	6	7	7	0	1	103	86.5	73.0
	Mis	50	11	5	7	4	0	77	111.1	73.0
Person	Fel	56	19	33	3	2	7	120	189.3	93.0
	Mis	42	19	9	10	0	7	87	165.0	93.0
Vance	Fel	188	10	10	6	8	23	245	149.7	36.0
	Mis	76	4	9	13	8	9	119	172.0	57.0
Warren	Fel	7	1	2	3	1	0	14	141.0	87.5
	Mis	38	10	3	1	8	0	60	110.0	71.0
Dist Totals	Fel	400	39	71	21	18	33	582	139.3	64.0
% of Total		68.7%	6.7%	12.2%	3.6%	3.1%	5.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	289	62	30	36	32	28	477	160.6	64.0
% of Total		60.6%	13.0%	6.3%	7.5%	6.7%	5.9%	100.0%		

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District 10										
Wake	Fel	637	121	299	206	98	8	1,369	134.0	104.0
% of Total		46.5%	8.8%	21.8%	15.0%	7.2%	0.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	371	59	35	47	48	4	564	111.6	55.0
% of Total		65.8%	10.5%	6.2%	8.3%	8.5%	0.7%	100.0%		
District 11										
Harnett	Fel	30	9	0	8	5	1	53	132.4	83.0
	Mis	8	1	2	0	4	1	16	228.5	87.0
Johnston	Fel	58	4	1	4	0	0	67	63.5	51.0
	Mis	62	3	6	2	0	0	73	53.0	36.0
Lee	Fel	76	18	12	9	3	0	118	71.1	42.0
	Mis	28	2	4	7	1	0	42	90.0	65.5
Dist Totals	Fel	164	31	13	21	8	1	238	82.6	52.0
% of Total		68.9%	13.0%	5.5%	8.8%	3.4%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	98	6	12	9	5	1	131	86.3	43.0
% of Total		74.8%	4.6%	9.2%	6.9%	3.8%	0.8%	100.0%		
District 12										
Cumberland	Fel	308	140	136	81	27	3	695	117.7	92.0
	Mis	60	35	12	7	4	0	118	97.3	86.0
Hoke	Fel	8	3	4	23	3	0	41	211.6	262.0
	Mis	10	2	1	2	0	0	15	78.7	43.0
Dist Totals	Fel	316	143	140	104	30	3	736	122.9	92.0
% of Total		42.9%	19.4%	19.0%	14.1%	4.1%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	70	37	13	9	4	0	133	95.2	86.0
% of Total		52.6%	27.8%	9.8%	6.8%	3.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 13										
Bladen	Fel	306	0	5	16	0	0	327	30.5	17.0
	Mis	12	3	7	2	0	0	24	100.8	87.0
Brunswick	Fel	487	18	17	13	88	11	634	140.3	73.0
	Mis	7	2	4	13	1	0	27	173.6	192.0
Columbus	Fel	53	5	7	59	12	7	143	249.4	206.0
	Mis	91	13	10	16	6	3	139	124.6	48.0
Dist Totals	Fel	846	23	29	88	100	18	1,104	121.9	45.0
% of Total		76.6%	2.1%	2.6%	8.0%	9.1%	1.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	110	18	21	31	7	3	190	128.6	70.5
% of Total		57.9%	9.5%	11.1%	16.3%	3.7%	1.6%	100.0%		
District 14										
Durham	Fel	308	66	72	98	65	13	622	168.0	93.0
% of Total		49.5%	10.6%	11.6%	15.8%	10.5%	2.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	66	25	16	21	28	46	202	338.6	161.0
% of Total		32.7%	12.4%	7.9%	10.4%	13.9%	22.8%	100.0%		
District 15A										
Alamance	Fel	174	22	10	6	1	0	213	56.8	50.0
% of Total		81.7%	10.3%	4.7%	2.8%	0.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	82	5	4	13	3	1	108	91.8	50.0
% of Total		75.9%	4.6%	3.7%	12.0%	2.8%	0.9%	100.0%		
District 15B										
Chatham	Fel	77	8	3	2	0	0	90	49.5	35.0
	Mis	26	2	3	5	1	0	37	89.3	45.0
Orange	Fel	152	25	31	16	3	0	227	85.5	64.0
	Mis	22	6	7	5	1	0	41	94.6	65.0
Dist Totals	Fel	229	33	34	18	3	0	317	75.3	48.0
% of Total		72.2%	10.4%	10.7%	5.7%	0.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	48	8	10	10	2	0	78	92.1	52.0
% of Total		61.5%	10.3%	12.8%	12.8%	2.6%	0.0%	100.0%		

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District 16										
Robeson	Fel	384	202	124	102	7	4	823	108.2	93.0
	Mis	151	62	44	33	5	2	297	112.3	86.0
Scotland	Fel	135	60	44	69	36	1	345	152.5	111.0
	Mis	63	16	41	65	16	54	255	369.0	226.0
Dist Totals	Fel	519	262	168	171	43	5	1,168	121.3	94.0
% of Total		44.4%	22.4%	14.4%	14.6%	3.7%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	214	78	85	98	21	56	552	230.9	115.0
% of Total		38.8%	14.1%	15.4%	17.8%	3.8%	10.1%	100.0%		
District 17A										
Caswell	Fel	15	0	14	1	0	0	30	105.8	106.0
	Mis	41	0	6	4	0	0	51	70.5	30.0
Rockingham	Fel	193	19	75	31	6	0	324	97.2	56.0
	Mis	132	40	54	30	8	0	264	106.3	88.0
Dist Totals	Fel	208	19	89	32	6	0	354	98.0	64.0
% of Total		58.8%	5.4%	25.1%	9.0%	1.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	173	40	60	34	8	0	315	100.5	76.0
% of Total		54.9%	12.7%	19.0%	10.8%	2.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 17B										
Stokes	Fel	46	24	0	5	0	0	75	73.0	51.0
	Mis	15	2	1	2	0	0	20	66.1	40.0
Surry	Fel	156	2	22	13	0	4	197	113.6	70.0
	Mis	73	2	2	7	2	0	86	71.5	50.5
Dist Totals	Fel	202	26	22	18	0	4	272	102.4	59.0
% of Total		74.3%	9.6%	8.1%	6.6%	0.0%	1.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	88	4	3	9	2	0	106	70.5	50.0
% of Total		83.0%	3.8%	2.8%	8.5%	1.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 18										
Guilford	Fel	569	175	123	279	145	21	1,312	174.8	100.0
% of Total		43.4%	13.3%	9.4%	21.3%	11.1%	1.6%	100.0%		
	Mis	77	29	10	11	7	1	135	113.2	72.0
% of Total		57.0%	21.5%	7.4%	8.1%	5.2%	0.7%	100.0%		
District 19A										
Cabarrus	Fel	150	33	64	22	7	0	276	99.3	79.0
	Mis	130	28	15	32	14	2	221	122.0	55.0
Rowan	Fel	56	11	8	14	29	0	118	180.3	95.5
	Mis	61	3	9	9	10	1	93	115.0	49.0
Dist Totals	Fel	206	44	72	36	36	0	394	123.6	79.0
% of Total		52.3%	11.2%	18.3%	9.1%	9.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	191	31	24	41	24	3	314	119.9	55.0
% of Total		60.8%	9.9%	7.6%	13.1%	7.6%	1.0%	100.0%		
District 19B										
Montgomery	Fel	23	3	4	21	2	2	55	183.2	147.0
	Mis	69	9	7	23	23	27	158	281.8	125.0
Randolph	Fel	160	55	76	64	32	0	387	138.1	101.0
	Mis	94	47	40	88	29	3	301	183.2	141.0
Dist Totals	Fel	183	58	80	85	34	2	442	143.7	106.0
% of Total		41.4%	13.1%	18.1%	19.2%	7.7%	0.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	163	56	47	111	52	30	459	217.1	141.0
% of Total		35.5%	12.2%	10.2%	24.2%	11.3%	6.5%	100.0%		

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District 20										
Anson	Fel	19	12	10	8	1	0	50	110.3	98.0
	Mis	44	19	19	7	7	0	96	107.8	99.0
Moore	Fel	66	42	11	34	10	1	164	144.9	115.0
	Mis	94	15	23	14	9	1	156	127.0	86.0
Richmond	Fel	72	2	48	2	3	2	129	101.6	73.0
	Mis	69	17	5	11	8	0	110	114.9	56.0
Stanly	Fel	64	56	23	25	4	0	172	121.0	92.0
	Mis	62	5	11	16	0	0	94	94.4	66.0
Union	Fel	76	12	18	13	2	15	136	253.3	73.0
	Mis	68	22	29	12	16	42	189	364.2	122.0
Dist Totals	Fel	297	124	110	82	20	18	651	150.0	92.0
% of Total		45.6%	19.0%	16.9%	12.6%	3.1%	2.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	337	78	87	60	40	43	645	186.9	86.0
% of Total		52.2%	12.1%	13.5%	9.3%	6.2%	6.7%	100.0%		
District 21										
Forsyth	Fel	507	144	94	78	46	0	869	106.7	78.0
% of Total		58.3%	16.6%	10.8%	9.0%	5.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	480	46	79	55	12	2	674	80.9	55.0
% of Total		71.2%	6.8%	11.7%	8.2%	1.8%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 22										
Alexander	Fel	16	2	1	7	5	0	31	163.8	86.0
	Mis	21	0	10	5	0	0	36	103.8	86.0
Davidson	Fel	109	12	22	8	9	5	165	117.3	36.0
	Mis	79	18	4	6	2	1	110	77.9	52.0
Davie	Fel	27	14	7	2	5	0	55	117.1	91.0
	Mis	51	6	13	16	0	0	86	102.0	69.0
Iredell	Fel	90	46	44	12	4	0	196	98.4	97.0
	Mis	136	18	36	19	4	0	213	89.6	65.0
Dist Totals	Fel	242	74	74	29	23	5	447	112.2	80.0
% of Total		54.1%	16.6%	16.6%	6.5%	5.1%	1.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	287	42	63	46	6	1	445	90.3	65.0
% of Total		64.5%	9.4%	14.2%	10.3%	1.3%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 23										
Alleghany	Fel	3	4	3	4	1	1	16	231.1	177.0
	Mis	10	1	1	4	0	2	18	199.2	78.0
Ashe	Fel	8	0	18	6	15	0	47	241.3	161.0
	Mis	17	6	12	17	11	0	63	218.2	143.0
Wilkes	Fel	63	7	9	13	1	2	95	116.5	64.0
	Mis	58	10	15	33	6	4	126	164.5	101.0
Yadkin	Fel	58	8	5	0	0	0	71	43.7	36.0
	Mis	30	4	2	4	0	0	40	71.3	43.0
Dist Totals	Fel	132	19	35	23	17	3	229	127.6	64.0
% of Total		57.6%	8.3%	15.3%	10.0%	7.4%	1.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	115	21	30	58	17	6	247	165.7	97.0
% of Total		46.6%	8.5%	12.1%	23.5%	6.9%	2.4%	100.0%		
District 24										
Avery	Fel	16	9	15	3	2	2	47	167.1	112.0
	Mis	2	2	3	3	4	0	14	227.7	189.5
Madison	Fel	15	12	0	34	6	0	67	233.0	322.0
	Mis	7	0	4	1	9	0	21	242.2	170.0
Mitchell	Fel	7	10	24	3	13	0	57	209.6	163.0
	Mis	20	1	5	2	1	0	29	96.1	45.0
Watauga	Fel	22	110	11	9	121	0	273	261.5	128.0
	Mis	18	5	3	4	12	0	42	216.0	112.0
Yancey	Fel	6	0	15	25	3	0	49	212.6	192.0
	Mis	3	5	3	5	0	1	17	198.0	128.0
Dist Totals	Fel	66	141	65	74	145	2	493	237.8	161.0
% of Total		13.4%	28.6%	13.2%	15.0%	29.4%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	50	13	18	15	26	1	123	191.1	113.0
% of Total		40.7%	10.6%	14.6%	12.2%	21.1%	0.8%	100.0%		

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District 25										
Burke	Fel	135	13	53	137	41	16	395	228.7	162.0
	Mis	102	30	75	76	20	18	321	240.7	140.0
Caldwell	Fel	161	51	49	34	7	3	305	109.1	79.0
	Mis	115	30	40	23	14	1	223	116.4	78.0
Catawba	Fel	158	97	71	178	182	19	705	258.9	198.0
	Mis	193	65	46	69	62	12	447	187.7	104.0
Dist Totals	Fel	454	161	173	349	230	38	1,405	217.9	148.0
% of Total		32.3%	11.5%	12.3%	24.8%	16.4%	2.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	410	125	161	168	96	31	991	188.8	111.0
% of Total		41.4%	12.6%	16.2%	17.0%	9.7%	3.1%	100.0%		
District 26										
Mecklenburg	Fel	632	137	218	134	62	22	1,205	136.7	78.0
% of Total		52.4%	11.4%	18.1%	11.1%	5.1%	1.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	282	97	69	78	47	6	579	148.8	91.0
% of Total		48.7%	16.8%	11.9%	13.5%	8.1%	1.0%	100.0%		
District 27A										
Gaston	Fel	258	54	30	44	6	0	392	89.7	58.0
% of Total		65.8%	13.8%	7.7%	11.2%	1.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	228	49	67	70	15	7	436	127.1	81.5
% of Total		52.3%	11.2%	15.4%	16.1%	3.4%	1.6%	100.0%		
District 27B										
Cleveland	Fel	64	16	24	20	3	1	128	130.6	89.0
	Mis	31	8	6	10	1	1	57	128.3	73.0
Lincoln	Fel	22	3	6	26	8	7	72	265.5	212.0
	Mis	28	2	21	21	3	3	78	182.9	154.0
Dist Totals	Fel	86	19	30	46	11	8	200	179.1	112.0
% of Total		43.0%	9.5%	15.0%	23.0%	5.5%	4.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	59	10	27	31	4	4	135	159.8	100.0
% of Total		43.7%	7.4%	20.0%	23.0%	3.0%	3.0%	100.0%		
District 28										
Buncombe	Fel	215	29	15	17	4	2	282	78.4	57.0
% of Total		76.2%	10.3%	5.3%	6.0%	1.4%	0.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	43	5	3	2	0	0	53	62.0	49.0
% of Total		81.1%	9.4%	5.7%	3.8%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 29										
Henderson	Fel	85	64	19	20	17	1	206	139.3	112.0
	Mis	23	11	1	2	2	0	39	97.8	66.0
McDowell	Fel	39	26	28	2	7	3	105	138.5	119.0
	Mis	44	8	5	5	4	0	66	101.3	48.0
Polk	Fel	9	5	10	13	11	3	51	311.8	325.0
	Mis	9	0	11	11	4	0	35	188.8	129.0
Rutherford	Fel	77	4	19	25	13	2	140	145.1	60.0
	Mis	122	6	13	16	4	3	164	94.8	45.0
Transylvania	Fel	160	19	14	17	10	9	229	135.6	24.0
	Mis	8	4	2	8	3	0	25	193.0	135.0
Dist Totals	Fel	370	118	90	77	58	18	731	151.2	85.0
% of Total		50.6%	16.1%	12.3%	10.5%	7.9%	2.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	206	29	32	42	17	3	329	113.9	58.0
% of Total		62.6%	8.8%	9.7%	12.8%	5.2%	0.9%	100.0%		

AGES OF FELONY (FEL) AND MISDEMEANOR (MIS) CASES PENDING IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1988

		Ages of Pending Cases (Days)								
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730	Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
District 30										
Cherokee	Fel	23	2	20	61	18	18	142	379.2	205.0
	Mis	6	4	5	8	5	26	54	677.6	460.5
Clay	Fel	1	3	0	4	0	0	8	171.8	178.0
	Mis	6	1	0	0	0	1	8	168.8	3.0
Graham	Fel	10	0	4	13	0	0	27	157.2	126.0
	Mis	11	1	2	7	3	2	26	257.8	134.5
Haywood	Fel	73	32	22	19	6	9	161	200.8	92.0
	Mis	44	7	1	4	2	0	58	81.9	60.0
Jackson	Fel	70	0	74	32	4	0	180	130.6	129.0
	Mis	11	0	9	5	0	1	26	157.6	143.0
Macon	Fel	7	0	21	13	7	2	50	271.2	150.0
	Mis	16	3	0	2	0	4	25	287.1	57.0
Swain	Fel	16	33	1	2	0	0	52	94.2	101.0
	Mis	2	0	1	6	1	0	10	267.1	315.0
Dist Totals	Fel	200	70	142	144	35	29	620	215.7	125.5
% of Total		32.3%	11.3%	22.9%	23.2%	5.6%	4.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	96	16	18	32	11	34	207	306.0	94.0
% of Total		46.4%	7.7%	8.7%	15.5%	5.3%	16.4%	100.0%		
State Totals	Fel	10,572	2,536	2,669	2,727	1,367	270	20,141	136.9	79.0
% of Total		52.5%	12.6%	13.3%	13.5%	6.8%	1.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	5,885	1,241	1,317	1,540	610	320	10,913	145.4	78.0
% of Total		53.9%	11.4%	12.1%	14.1%	5.6%	2.9%	100.0%		

AGES OF FELONY (FEL) AND MISDEMEANOR (MIS) CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 1										
Camden	Fel	15	0	1	11	0	0	27	120.1	49.0
	Mis	24	3	9	22	3	0	61	159.9	143.0
Chowan	Fel	61	5	7	15	0	1	89	111.2	71.0
	Mis	101	8	7	11	0	0	127	62.5	55.0
Currituck	Fel	33	8	17	6	0	0	64	85.8	85.0
	Mis	86	17	23	14	2	0	142	97.1	71.0
Dare	Fel	100	35	32	68	7	0	242	134.6	101.0
	Mis	378	65	61	49	9	0	562	77.8	56.5
Gates	Fel	23	7	9	8	0	1	48	129.8	98.5
	Mis	30	12	21	12	0	0	75	120.0	108.0
Pasquotank	Fel	109	45	31	28	4	1	218	117.0	91.0
	Mis	389	64	92	41	1	0	587	73.8	57.0
Perquimans	Fel	10	4	2	5	0	0	21	106.1	96.0
	Mis	63	16	18	15	1	0	113	99.6	89.0
Dist Totals	Fel	351	104	99	141	11	3	709	120.1	91.0
% of Total		49.5%	14.7%	14.0%	19.9%	1.6%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,071	185	231	164	16	0	1,667	83.3	63.0
% of Total		64.2%	11.1%	13.9%	9.8%	1.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 2										
Beaufort	Fel	226	47	63	50	8	0	394	99.9	77.0
	Mis	219	55	36	29	4	0	343	84.5	65.0
Hyde	Fel	12	5	4	7	0	6	34	379.6	120.5
	Mis	9	3	6	0	0	0	18	79.1	85.5
Martin	Fel	87	8	33	16	3	0	147	101.5	80.0
	Mis	29	9	18	15	3	0	74	139.9	115.5
Tyrrell	Fel	11	2	1	16	1	0	31	161.1	181.0
	Mis	22	15	7	4	1	0	49	107.9	106.0
Washington	Fel	116	13	4	16	1	0	150	83.2	63.0
	Mis	49	17	5	11	2	0	84	103.8	84.5
Dist Totals	Fel	452	75	105	105	13	6	756	112.0	72.0
% of Total		59.8%	9.9%	13.9%	13.9%	1.7%	0.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	328	99	72	59	10	0	568	96.4	77.0
% of Total		57.7%	17.4%	12.7%	10.4%	1.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 3										
Carteret	Fel	258	47	64	35	0	0	404	74.3	38.0
	Mis	122	11	12	7	0	1	153	61.6	42.0
Craven	Fel	301	73	65	97	6	4	546	108.7	84.0
	Mis	451	39	31	28	4	0	553	58.2	43.0
Pamlico	Fel	12	8	10	5	4	0	39	155.0	112.0
	Mis	16	6	7	6	0	0	35	95.1	105.0
Pitt	Fel	635	170	247	175	68	0	1,295	130.2	93.0
	Mis	751	176	157	215	57	0	1,356	112.5	80.5
Dist Totals	Fel	1,206	298	386	312	78	4	2,284	115.6	86.0
% of Total		52.8%	13.0%	16.9%	13.7%	3.4%	0.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,340	232	207	256	61	1	2,097	94.2	66.0
% of Total		63.9%	11.1%	9.9%	12.2%	2.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 4										
Duplin	Fel	608	30	5	6	0	0	649	31.6	20.0
	Mis	46	4	1	0	0	0	51	34.2	22.0
Jones	Fel	75	5	23	11	0	0	114	62.1	8.0
	Mis	7	5	4	2	0	0	18	109.8	92.0
Onslow	Fel	1,256	118	101	40	3	2	1,520	54.9	39.0
	Mis	395	47	29	11	0	0	482	53.2	43.0
Sampson	Fel	269	6	5	12	4	0	296	41.9	27.0
	Mis	65	2	0	0	0	0	67	31.4	21.0
Dist Totals	Fel	2,208	159	134	69	7	2	2,579	47.9	33.0
% of Total		85.6%	6.2%	5.2%	2.7%	0.3%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	513	58	34	13	0	0	618	50.9	39.0
% of Total		83.0%	9.4%	5.5%	2.1%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%		

AGES OF FELONY (FEL) AND MISDEMEANOR (MIS) CASES DISPOSED IN THE SUPERIOR COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 5										
New Hanover	Fel	1,340	278	327	314	21	2	2,282	97.4	75.0
	Mis	574	97	137	63	2	0	873	83.4	66.0
Pender	Fel	140	21	81	152	21	0	415	159.8	133.0
	Mis	40	21	18	7	1	1	88	112.6	110.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,480	299	408	466	42	2	2,697	107.0	79.0
% of Total		54.9%	11.1%	15.1%	17.3%	1.6%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	614	118	155	70	3	1	961	86.1	69.0
% of Total		63.9%	12.3%	16.1%	7.3%	0.3%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 6										
Bertie	Fel	85	13	21	39	3	0	161	123.4	81.0
	Mis	20	3	8	2	1	0	34	97.3	82.0
Halifax	Fel	306	32	57	27	16	2	440	82.7	42.0
	Mis	95	7	38	27	6	0	173	103.6	76.0
Hertford	Fel	114	16	5	29	2	0	166	83.9	45.0
	Mis	53	42	19	12	0	0	126	95.4	111.0
Northampton	Fel	80	10	14	6	3	0	113	82.6	80.0
	Mis	22	2	3	6	0	0	33	92.8	73.0
Dist Totals	Fel	585	71	97	101	24	2	880	90.4	49.0
% of Total		66.5%	8.1%	11.0%	11.5%	2.7%	0.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	190	54	68	47	7	0	366	99.2	85.0
% of Total		51.9%	14.8%	18.6%	12.8%	1.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 7										
Edgecombe	Fel	195	22	36	45	15	0	313	101.8	55.0
	Mis	167	20	14	31	12	0	244	96.9	62.0
Nash	Fel	588	65	33	15	4	0	705	62.8	53.0
	Mis	249	20	19	17	1	1	307	60.9	35.0
Wilson	Fel	365	38	57	66	14	0	540	78.4	45.0
	Mis	144	7	26	23	6	0	206	93.1	60.5
Dist Totals	Fel	1,148	125	126	126	33	0	1,558	76.0	52.0
% of Total		73.7%	8.0%	8.1%	8.1%	2.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	560	47	59	71	19	1	757	81.3	49.0
% of Total		74.0%	6.2%	7.8%	9.4%	2.5%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 8										
Greene	Fel	50	15	2	16	1	0	84	82.0	77.0
	Mis	45	7	3	5	0	0	60	77.3	62.5
Lenoir	Fel	230	30	29	34	10	0	333	85.3	47.0
	Mis	397	42	36	33	6	0	514	70.0	47.0
Wayne	Fel	346	49	82	55	19	0	551	103.8	74.0
	Mis	410	76	95	94	22	0	697	98.7	76.0
Dist Totals	Fel	626	94	113	105	30	0	968	95.5	70.0
% of Total		64.7%	9.7%	11.7%	10.8%	3.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	852	125	134	132	28	0	1,271	86.1	59.0
% of Total		67.0%	9.8%	10.5%	10.4%	2.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 9										
Franklin	Fel	113	25	46	50	1	0	235	116.9	92.0
	Mis	136	44	22	13	5	1	221	99.5	77.0
Granville	Fel	164	27	14	46	0	0	251	97.8	72.0
	Mis	75	11	18	21	8	3	136	150.5	81.0
Person	Fel	119	35	33	42	4	4	237	129.6	90.0
	Mis	78	27	15	26	11	6	163	180.8	91.0
Vance	Fel	131	53	44	55	6	18	307	201.4	101.0
	Mis	157	62	44	40	13	3	319	131.1	92.0
Warren	Fel	39	13	12	15	3	0	82	110.6	96.0
	Mis	43	18	11	19	4	0	95	122.3	98.0
Dist Totals	Fel	566	153	149	208	14	22	1,112	138.2	90.0
% of Total		50.9%	13.8%	13.4%	18.7%	1.3%	2.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	489	162	110	119	41	13	934	134.2	86.5
% of Total		52.4%	17.3%	11.8%	12.7%	4.4%	1.4%	100.0%		

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Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 10										
Wake	Fel	2,022	537	634	841	390	87	4,511	166.2	104.0
% of Total		44.8%	11.9%	14.1%	18.6%	8.6%	1.9%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,266	133	115	175	60	13	1,762	97.3	52.0
% of Total		71.9%	7.5%	6.5%	9.9%	3.4%	0.7%	100.0%		
District 11										
Harnett	Fel	197	41	24	17	2	0	281	76.4	58.0
	Mis	83	11	8	0	2	0	104	57.3	40.0
Johnston	Fel	264	20	30	10	0	0	324	64.4	53.0
	Mis	329	46	61	11	0	0	447	58.7	45.0
Lee	Fel	222	34	28	9	6	0	299	73.1	61.0
	Mis	160	26	4	8	0	0	198	64.7	56.0
Dist Totals	Fel	683	95	82	36	8	0	904	71.0	57.0
% of Total		75.6%	10.5%	9.1%	4.0%	0.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	572	83	73	19	2	0	749	60.1	49.0
% of Total		76.4%	11.1%	9.7%	2.5%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 12										
Cumberland	Fel	1,081	189	283	280	85	6	1,924	112.0	78.0
	Mis	161	26	19	22	6	1	235	88.8	55.0
Hoke	Fel	57	16	31	43	3	0	150	130.7	128.0
	Mis	43	2	9	9	4	2	69	129.6	55.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,138	205	314	323	88	6	2,074	113.3	80.0
% of Total		54.9%	9.9%	15.1%	15.6%	4.2%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	204	28	28	31	10	3	304	98.1	55.0
% of Total		67.1%	9.2%	9.2%	10.2%	3.3%	1.0%	100.0%		
District 13										
Bladen	Fel	39	27	28	12	16	3	125	188.8	108.0
	Mis	57	15	20	12	2	0	106	100.5	87.0
Brunswick	Fel	229	85	123	82	44	1	564	151.4	101.0
	Mis	56	31	26	20	13	1	147	161.4	111.0
Columbus	Fel	30	21	59	75	18	0	203	186.3	145.0
	Mis	97	32	28	53	15	1	226	140.7	109.0
Dist Totals	Fel	298	133	210	169	78	4	892	164.6	126.5
% of Total		33.4%	14.9%	23.5%	18.9%	8.7%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	210	78	74	85	30	2	479	138.2	106.0
% of Total		43.8%	16.3%	15.4%	17.7%	6.3%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 14										
Durham	Fel	942	188	275	335	99	41	1,880	149.9	90.0
% of Total		50.1%	10.0%	14.6%	17.8%	5.3%	2.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	194	33	44	57	35	35	398	242.0	94.0
% of Total		48.7%	8.3%	11.1%	14.3%	8.8%	8.8%	100.0%		
District 15A										
Alamance	Fel	606	143	166	112	15	3	1,045	98.5	72.0
% of Total		58.0%	13.7%	15.9%	10.7%	1.4%	0.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	454	66	61	58	10	2	651	85.9	62.0
% of Total		69.7%	10.1%	9.4%	8.9%	1.5%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 15B										
Chatham	Fel	81	20	39	37	11	1	189	149.4	113.0
	Mis	34	4	12	39	2	0	91	148.4	147.0
Orange	Fel	308	150	120	93	5	1	677	112.1	99.0
	Mis	100	14	12	14	0	0	140	75.7	55.0
Dist Totals	Fel	389	170	159	130	16	2	866	120.3	100.0
% of Total		44.9%	19.6%	18.4%	15.0%	1.8%	0.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	134	18	24	53	2	0	231	104.4	80.0
% of Total		58.0%	7.8%	10.4%	22.9%	0.9%	0.0%	100.0%		

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		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 16										
Robeson	Fel	710	244	164	148	17	1	1,284	102.7	84.0
	Mis	385	88	110	73	15	4	675	109.1	80.0
Scotland	Fel	45	47	32	102	13	5	244	199.3	175.0
	Mis	34	31	18	30	17	1	131	188.0	122.0
Dist Totals	Fel	755	291	196	250	30	6	1,528	118.1	91.0
% of Total		49.4%	19.0%	12.8%	16.4%	2.0%	0.4%	100.0%		
	Mis	419	119	128	103	32	5	806	121.9	86.0
% of Total		52.0%	14.8%	15.9%	12.8%	4.0%	0.6%	100.0%		
District 17A										
Caswell	Fel	65	13	17	7	3	0	105	89.1	71.0
	Mis	131	12	21	23	0	1	188	88.4	71.5
Rockingham	Fel	469	132	195	196	7	1	1,000	119.9	96.0
	Mis	399	99	156	150	14	3	821	112.7	94.0
Dist Totals	Fel	534	145	212	203	10	1	1,105	117.0	91.0
% of Total		48.3%	13.1%	19.2%	18.4%	0.9%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	530	111	177	173	14	4	1,009	108.2	83.0
% of Total		52.5%	11.0%	17.5%	17.1%	1.4%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 17B										
Stokes	Fel	135	23	50	49	4	0	261	118.5	80.0
	Mis	116	10	44	28	1	0	199	104.9	69.0
Surry	Fel	244	123	35	37	2	0	441	91.6	81.0
	Mis	417	79	46	65	7	0	614	83.3	64.0
Dist Totals	Fel	379	146	85	86	6	0	702	101.6	80.5
% of Total		54.0%	20.8%	12.1%	12.3%	0.9%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	533	89	90	93	8	0	813	88.6	65.0
% of Total		65.6%	10.9%	11.1%	11.4%	1.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 18										
Guilford	Fel	1,776	403	705	738	401	86	4,109	169.8	111.0
% of Total		43.2%	9.8%	17.2%	18.0%	9.8%	2.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	290	28	73	159	46	11	607	162.7	101.0
% of Total		47.8%	4.6%	12.0%	26.2%	7.6%	1.8%	100.0%		
District 19A										
Cabarrus	Fel	426	139	179	81	19	0	844	102.6	90.0
	Mis	227	87	114	131	13	1	573	133.4	110.0
Rowan	Fel	478	91	176	128	27	0	900	109.7	83.0
	Mis	352	90	36	55	44	7	584	119.0	64.0
Dist Totals	Fel	904	230	355	209	46	0	1,744	106.3	88.0
% of Total		51.8%	13.2%	20.4%	12.0%	2.6%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	579	177	150	186	57	8	1,157	126.1	90.0
% of Total		50.0%	15.3%	13.0%	16.1%	4.9%	0.7%	100.0%		
District 19B										
Montgomery	Fel	41	23	44	44	14	3	169	191.1	154.0
	Mis	137	28	42	46	15	0	268	131.7	88.0
Randolph	Fel	122	77	198	234	69	12	712	202.7	159.0
	Mis	340	92	109	156	42	3	742	135.7	97.0
Dist Totals	Fel	163	100	242	278	83	15	881	200.5	156.0
% of Total		18.5%	11.4%	27.5%	31.6%	9.4%	1.7%	100.0%		
	Mis	477	120	151	202	57	3	1,010	134.6	97.0
% of Total		47.2%	11.9%	15.0%	20.0%	5.6%	0.3%	100.0%		

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		Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)						Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
		0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 20										
Anson	Fel	118	12	12	15	3	0	160	82.6	55.5
	Mis	232	15	34	34	11	0	326	90.1	55.0
Moore	Fel	373	33	92	52	16	3	569	105.4	64.0
	Mis	247	40	51	48	6	2	394	98.0	74.0
Richmond	Fel	429	79	27	42	4	0	581	65.6	35.0
	Mis	250	38	27	24	3	0	342	69.0	46.0
Stanly	Fel	104	42	38	26	8	0	218	107.3	93.0
	Mis	149	16	21	29	4	0	219	93.8	60.0
Union	Fel	365	42	46	69	10	0	532	91.5	60.0
	Mis	353	50	55	73	9	5	545	103.7	65.0
Dist Totals	Fel	1,389	208	215	204	41	3	2,060	89.0	64.0
% of Total		67.4%	10.1%	10.4%	9.9%	2.0%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,231	159	188	208	33	7	1,826	92.4	58.0
% of Total		67.4%	8.7%	10.3%	11.4%	1.8%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 21										
Forsyth	Fel	1,339	422	446	299	36	0	2,542	105.1	86.0
% of Total		52.7%	16.6%	17.5%	11.8%	1.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,455	239	117	160	40	0	2,011	81.8	61.0
% of Total		72.4%	11.9%	5.8%	8.0%	2.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 22										
Alexander	Fel	45	16	5	24	0	0	90	110.4	84.5
	Mis	110	27	12	24	3	0	176	93.1	69.0
Davidson	Fel	314	91	88	87	17	2	599	116.1	83.0
	Mis	404	53	53	52	6	0	568	81.2	61.0
Davie	Fel	26	7	10	8	0	0	51	100.6	85.0
	Mis	112	18	22	6	0	0	158	69.3	49.0
Iredell	Fel	230	30	63	36	7	0	416	112.8	82.0
	Mis	488	56	43	31	2	1	621	64.3	46.0
Dist Totals	Fel	615	144	166	205	24	2	1,156	113.8	83.0
% of Total		53.2%	12.5%	14.4%	17.7%	2.1%	0.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	1,114	154	130	113	11	1	1,523	74.5	53.0
% of Total		73.1%	10.1%	8.5%	7.4%	0.7%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 23										
Alleghany	Fel	8	0	0	3	4	1	16	283.9	184.0
	Mis	21	6	4	12	10	0	53	184.6	118.0
Ashe	Fel	18	8	8	11	19	10	74	336.3	224.0
	Mis	8	14	7	13	8	2	52	235.4	143.0
Wilkes	Fel	74	79	67	78	39	8	345	208.0	144.0
	Mis	192	37	60	66	31	7	393	148.8	93.0
Yadkin	Fel	84	33	14	12	3	0	146	90.0	76.0
	Mis	77	9	25	8	0	0	119	87.6	69.0
Dist Totals	Fel	184	120	89	104	65	19	581	196.8	120.0
% of Total		31.7%	20.7%	15.3%	17.9%	11.2%	3.3%	100.0%		
	Mis	298	66	96	99	49	9	617	147.4	94.0
% of Total		48.3%	10.7%	15.6%	16.0%	7.9%	1.5%	100.0%		
District 24										
Avery	Fel	7	25	9	15	2	0	58	145.1	113.5
	Mis	30	3	10	10	0	0	53	113.8	85.0
Madison	Fel	11	7	9	9	5	0	41	197.2	149.0
	Mis	4	0	2	3	1	0	10	195.5	149.0
Mitchell	Fel	7	9	35	39	7	3	100	213.6	176.5
	Mis	16	6	10	16	1	0	49	146.9	148.0
Watauga	Fel	88	31	34	16	17	2	188	142.6	97.0
	Mis	24	7	14	22	6	0	73	176.3	148.0
Yancey	Fel	1	1	4	7	20	0	33	451.7	522.0
	Mis	0	0	2	15	8	0	25	355.1	303.0
Dist Totals	Fel	114	73	91	86	51	5	420	189.5	127.0
% of Total		27.1%	17.4%	21.7%	20.5%	12.1%	1.2%	100.0%		
	Mis	74	16	38	66	16	0	210	175.9	148.0
% of Total		35.2%	7.6%	18.1%	31.4%	7.6%	0.0%	100.0%		

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District 25										
Burke	Fel	106	48	151	119	68	29	521	239.4	154.0
	Mis	135	49	129	137	47	0	497	173.4	150.0
Caldwell	Fel	147	92	132	195	28	3	597	168.9	138.0
	Mis	236	65	134	111	28	0	574	132.9	117.0
Catawba	Fel	347	146	247	290	71	7	1,108	166.2	140.0
	Mis	211	68	109	107	93	13	601	205.4	129.0
Dist Totals	Fel	600	286	530	604	167	39	2,226	184.0	146.0
% of Total		27.0%	12.8%	23.8%	27.1%	7.5%	1.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	582	182	372	355	168	13	1,672	171.0	130.0
% of Total		34.8%	10.9%	22.2%	21.2%	10.0%	0.8%	100.0%		
District 26										
Mecklenburg	Fel	1,408	544	520	470	108	15	3,065	122.8	94.0
% of Total		45.9%	17.7%	17.0%	15.3%	3.5%	0.5%	100.0%		
	Mis	824	209	225	215	54	7	1,534	115.6	84.0
% of Total		53.7%	13.6%	14.7%	14.0%	3.5%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 27A										
Gaston	Fel	893	197	194	107	3	2	1,396	80.5	64.0
% of Total		64.0%	14.1%	13.9%	7.7%	0.2%	0.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	371	98	98	109	24	2	702	115.9	85.0
% of Total		52.8%	14.0%	14.0%	15.5%	3.4%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 27B										
Cleveland	Fel	228	35	56	92	28	9	448	147.6	89.0
	Mis	144	40	44	30	3	2	263	101.4	75.0
Lincoln	Fel	152	37	52	44	12	5	302	121.0	89.0
	Mis	86	14	19	28	10	1	158	120.6	76.5
Dist Totals	Fel	380	72	108	136	40	14	750	136.9	89.0
% of Total		50.7%	9.6%	14.4%	18.1%	5.3%	1.9%	100.0%		
	Mis	230	54	63	58	13	3	421	108.6	75.0
% of Total		54.6%	12.8%	15.0%	13.8%	3.1%	0.7%	100.0%		
District 28										
Buncombe	Fel	441	196	226	130	18	0	1,011	117.3	97.0
% of Total		43.6%	19.4%	22.4%	12.9%	1.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	448	33	105	19	4	0	609	71.7	51.0
% of Total		73.6%	5.4%	17.2%	3.1%	0.7%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 29										
Henderson	Fel	102	33	48	80	9	0	272	145.4	122.0
	Mis	111	24	42	30	14	1	222	120.8	90.0
McDowell	Fel	207	38	57	49	14	5	370	120.1	84.0
	Mis	103	26	61	23	9	5	227	133.0	96.0
Polk	Fel	6	1	15	5	3	2	32	233.3	158.0
	Mis	12	4	6	6	4	0	32	153.9	123.0
Rutherford	Fel	194	63	59	73	25	0	414	134.5	93.5
	Mis	136	74	59	43	15	4	331	138.8	101.0
Transylvania	Fel	29	9	34	40	11	7	130	228.0	157.0
	Mis	14	10	4	15	4	3	50	228.5	140.5
Dist Totals	Fel	538	144	213	247	62	14	1,218	145.1	101.0
% of Total		44.2%	11.8%	17.5%	20.3%	5.1%	1.1%	100.0%		
	Mis	376	138	172	117	46	13	862	138.4	101.0
% of Total		43.6%	16.0%	20.0%	13.6%	5.3%	1.5%	100.0%		

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District 30										
Cherokee	Fel	123	12	42	22	33	12	244	168.9	79.0
	Mis	38	7	21	19	6	0	91	144.1	125.0
Clay	Fel	11	1	2	1	2	4	21	311.5	50.0
	Mis	5	3	3	5	2	0	18	165.8	153.0
Graham	Fel	11	1	1	47	0	0	60	219.7	280.0
	Mis	12	10	11	5	3	1	42	170.5	119.0
Haywood	Fel	303	63	42	31	4	3	446	83.4	58.5
	Mis	162	19	18	11	2	0	212	63.9	38.0
Jackson	Fel	101	12	10	50	6	0	179	126.0	90.0
	Mis	13	3	10	13	0	0	39	151.6	133.0
Macon	Fel	55	12	33	16	5	1	122	149.0	112.0
	Mis	29	5	7	9	0	1	51	115.9	75.0
Swain	Fel	69	17	28	8	13	4	139	149.6	91.0
	Mis	30	5	5	8	0	0	48	98.5	74.0
Dist Totals	Fel	673	118	158	175	63	24	1,211	131.8	84.0
% of Total		55.6%	9.7%	13.0%	14.5%	5.2%	2.0%	100.0%		
	Mis	289	52	75	70	13	2	501	106.5	70.0
% of Total		57.7%	10.4%	15.0%	14.0%	2.6%	0.4%	100.0%		
State Totals	Fel	27,785	6,688	8,208	8,110	2,200	429	53,420	124.4	86.0
% of Total		52.0%	12.5%	15.4%	15.2%	4.1%	0.8%	100.0%		
	Mis	19,111	3,563	3,937	3,914	1,019	159	31,703	106.3	70.0
% of Total		60.3%	11.2%	12.4%	12.3%	3.2%	0.5%	100.0%		

PART IV, Section 2

District Court Division
Caseflow Data

The District Court Division

This section contains data tables and accompanying charts depicting the caseflow in 1987-88 of cases filed and disposed of in the State's district courts.

Data are given on four major case classifications in the district court division: civil cases, juvenile proceedings, criminal cases, and infractions. Civil cases are divided into "small claims" cases assigned to magistrates; domestic relations cases (chiefly concerned with annulments, divorces, alimony, custody and support of children); and "general civil" cases. Juvenile proceedings are classified according to the nature of the offense or condition alleged in the petition that initiates the case. District court criminal cases are divided into motor vehicle cases (where the offense charged is defined in Chapter 20 of the North Carolina General Statutes) and non-motor vehicle criminal cases.

Infractions are non-criminal violations of law punishable by a fine not to exceed $100 and not punishable by imprisonment. This category of cases in the district courts was created effective September 1, 1986, when the General Assembly decriminalized most minor traffic offenses. Prior to September 1, 1986, "infractions" were prosecuted as criminal motor vehicle cases. Therefore, for purposes of comparing present to past district court criminal caseloads, criminal motor vehicle caseloads of 1985-86 and earlier are substantially coparable to the combined motor vehicle and infraction caseloads of 1986-87 amd later. (This comparison is not exact, since not all cases now prosecuted as infractions were criminal motor vehicle cases in prior years. For example, the infraction of purchase or possession of alcohol by a person by age 19 or 20 was neither an infraction nor a criminal violation prior to September 1, 1986.)

Magistrates may handle civil, criminal, and infraction cases in district court. When the plaintiff in a civil case requests, and the amount in controversy does not exceed $1,500, the case may be classified as a "small claim" civil action and assigned to a magistrate for hearing. In misdemeanor or infraction cases involving alcohol, traffic, hunting, fishing, and boating violations, magistrates may accept written appearances, waivers of trial or hearing, and pleas of guilty or admissions of responsibility, and enter judgment in accord with the schedule of fines and penalties promulgated by chief district court judges. Also, magistrates may accept guilty pleas in other misdemeanor cases where the sentence cannot be in excess of 30 days or $50 fine; and may hear and enter judgment in worthless check cases where the amount involved is $1000 or less, and any prison sentence imposed does not exceed 30 days.

Appeals from magistrates' judgments in civil, criminal, and infraction cases are to the district court, with a district court judge presiding.

Consistent with previous years, the pie charts on the following page illustrate that district court criminal cases filed and disposed of in the 1987-88 year greatly outnumbered civil cases. Motor vehicle criminal cases and infractions accounted for over fifty percent of total filings and dispositions, and the non-motor vehicle criminal cases accounted for about twenty-five percent. As in past years, the greatest portion of district court civil filings and dispositions were small claims referred to magistrates.

The large volume categories of infraction, criminal motor-vehicle, and civil magistrate cases are not reported to AOC by case file numbers. Therefore, it is not possible to obtain, by computer processing, the numbers of pending cases as of a given date or the ages of cases pending and ages of cases at disposition. These categories of cases are processed through the courts faster than any others, thus explaining the decision not to allocate personnel and computer resource to reporting these cases in the detail that is provided for other categories of cases.

Also, juvenile proceedings and hearings on commitment or recommitment of persons to the State's mental hospital facilities are not reported to AOC by case file numbers.

Two tables are provided on juvenile proceedings: offenses and conditions alleged, and numbers of adjudicatory hearings held.

Data on district court hearings for mental hospital commitments and recommitments is reported in Part III, "Cost and Case Data on Representation of Indigents."

Ages of district court cases pending on June 30, 1988, and ages of cases disposed of during 1987-88 are reported for the domestic relations, general civil and magistrate appeal/transfer, and criminal non-motor vehicle case categories.

The tables for domestic relations and general civil and magistrate appeal/transfer cases show that the median age of such cases which were pending on June 30, 1988, was 155 and 182 days, respectively, compared with a median age of 154 days for domestic relations and 167 days for general civil and magistrate appeal/transfer cases pending on June 30, 1987. At the time of disposition during 1987-88, the median age of domestic relations cases was 51 days, and the median age for general civil and magistrate/transfer cases was 110 days, compared with a median age of 53 days at the time of disposition for domestic relations cases and 109 days for civil and magistrate appeal/transfer cases during 1986-87.

For district court non-motor vehicle criminal cases, the median age for cases pending on June 30, 1988, was 57 days compared with a median age of 54 days for cases pending on June 30, 1987. The median age of cases in this category at the time of disposition during 1987-88 was 30 days compared with a median age of 29 days at the time of disposition during 1986-87.

The statewide total district court filings during 1987-88, not including juvenile cases and mental hospital commitment hearings, was 2,004,447 cases, compared with 1,868,985 during 1987-88, an increase of 135,462 (7.2%). Criminal motor vehicle cases and infraction cases together account for much of this increase. There were 1,028,252 of these cases filed during 1987-88, compared with 975,488 during 1986-87, an increase of 52,764 cases (5.4%). There was an increase of 46,579 cases (9.9%) in the non-motor vehicle criminal case category.

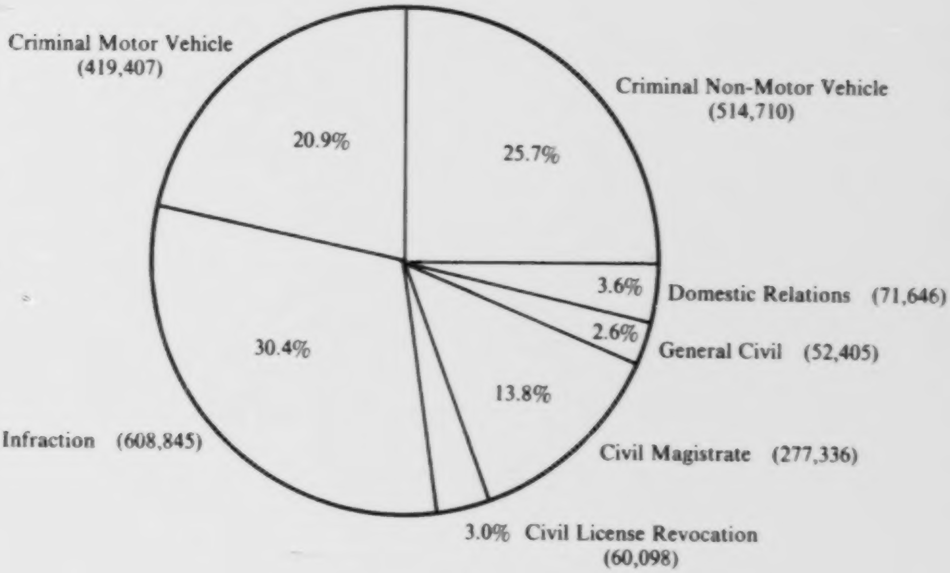
There also was an increase (10.2%) in district court civil case filings (not including civil license revocation cases), from a total of 364,271 in 1986-87 to 401,387 in 1987-88. Most of this increase was in civil magistrate filings, from 247,455 cases in 1986-87 to 277,336 cases in 1987-88, an increase of 12.1%. During 1987-88, compared to 1986-87, filings of domestic relations cases increased by 5.9% and filings of general civil cases increased by 6.6%.

The changes from year-to-year in the individual case categories are not unusual. The over-all trend for *total* district court case filings over the past several years has been upward. This upward trend is reflected in the total 1987-88 district court case filings.

FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

FILINGS



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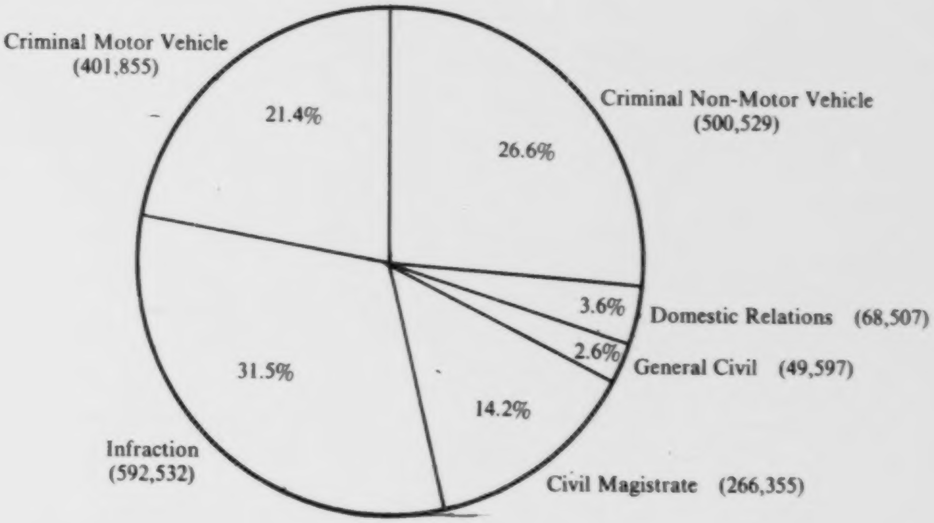
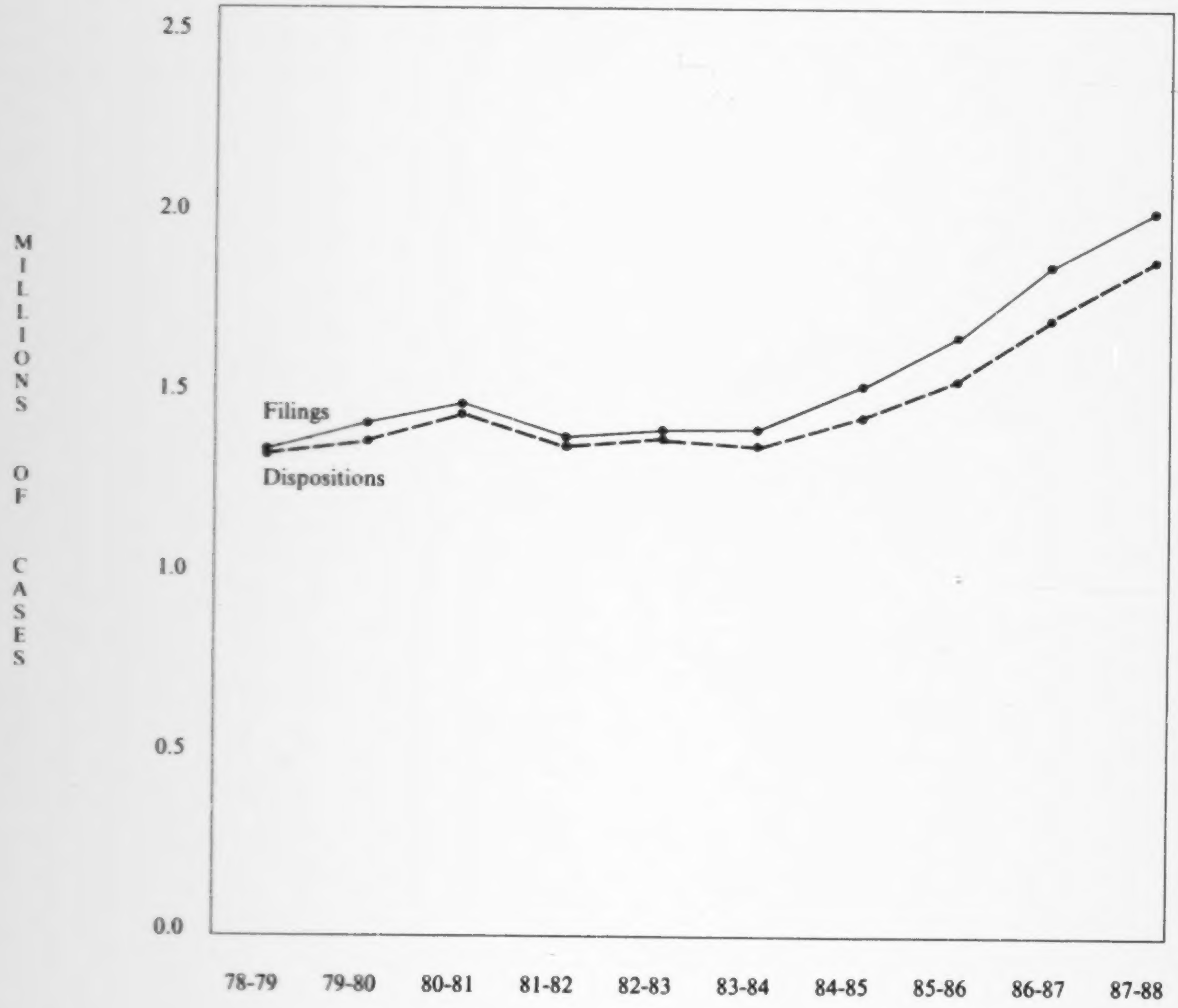


Criminal motor vehicle and infraction cases together comprise more than half the district court caseload. The 60,098 civil license revocations in the upper chart are automatic, 10-day driver license suspensions imposed on drivers arrested on suspicion of impaired driving whose breath tests showed a blood alcohol content of 0.10 or more. They are counted only at filing, and do not appear on the disposition chart.

FILING AND DISPOSITION TRENDS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

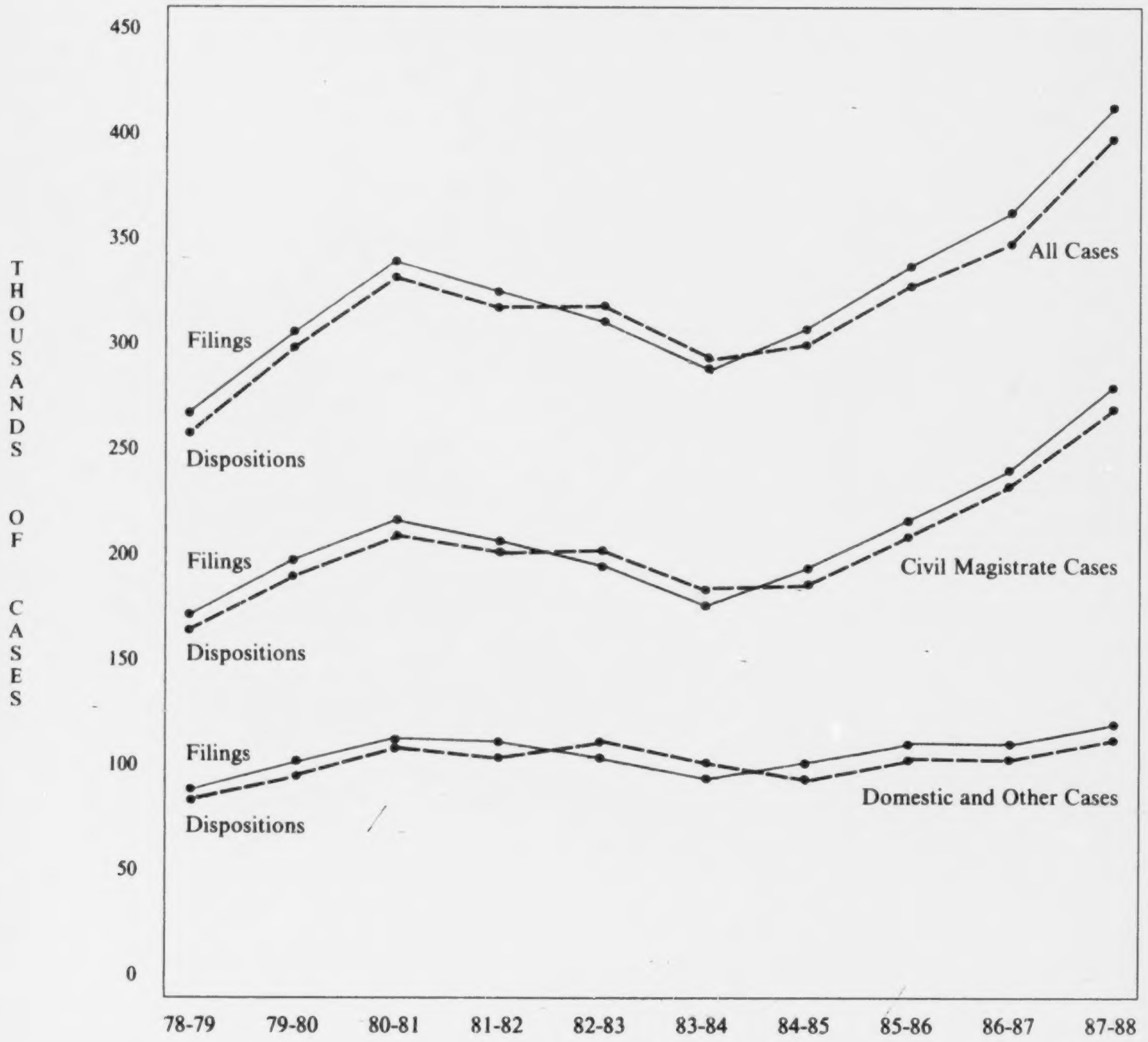
1978-79 — 1987-88



This graph includes all civil, infraction, and criminal case filings and dispositions in the district courts for the last decade. During the ten year period depicted on this graph, filings and dispositions have increased in all but one year. In the 1987-88 fiscal year the number of filing increased by 7.2%, and dispositions increased 8.4% over 1986-87.

FILING AND DISPOSITION TRENDS OF CIVIL CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

1978-79 — 1987-88

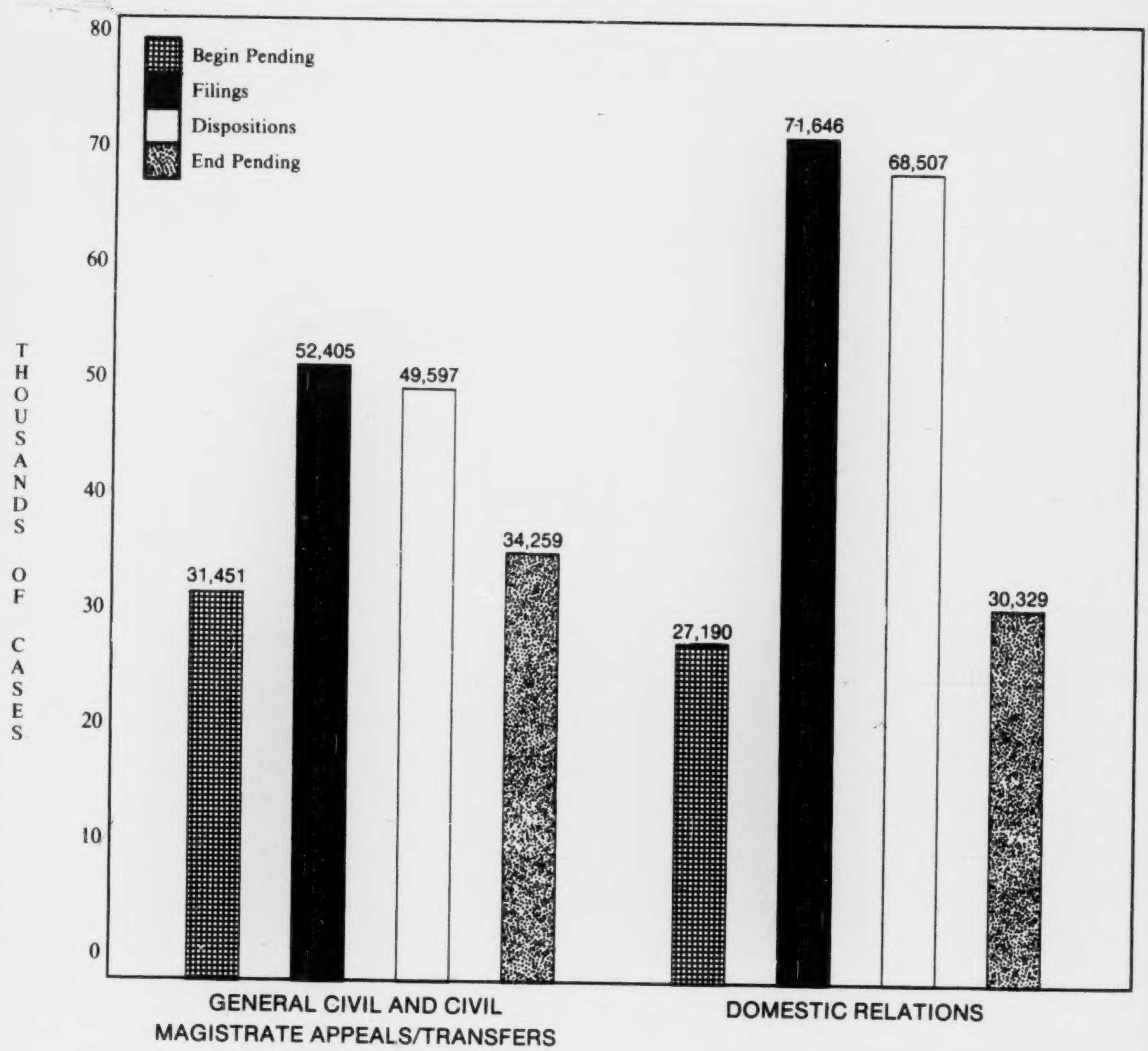


From 1986-87 to 1987-88, district court civil filings increased by 10.2% and dispositions increased by 9.6%.

Civil magistrate filings increased by 12.1%.

CIVIL (NON-MAGISTRATE) CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

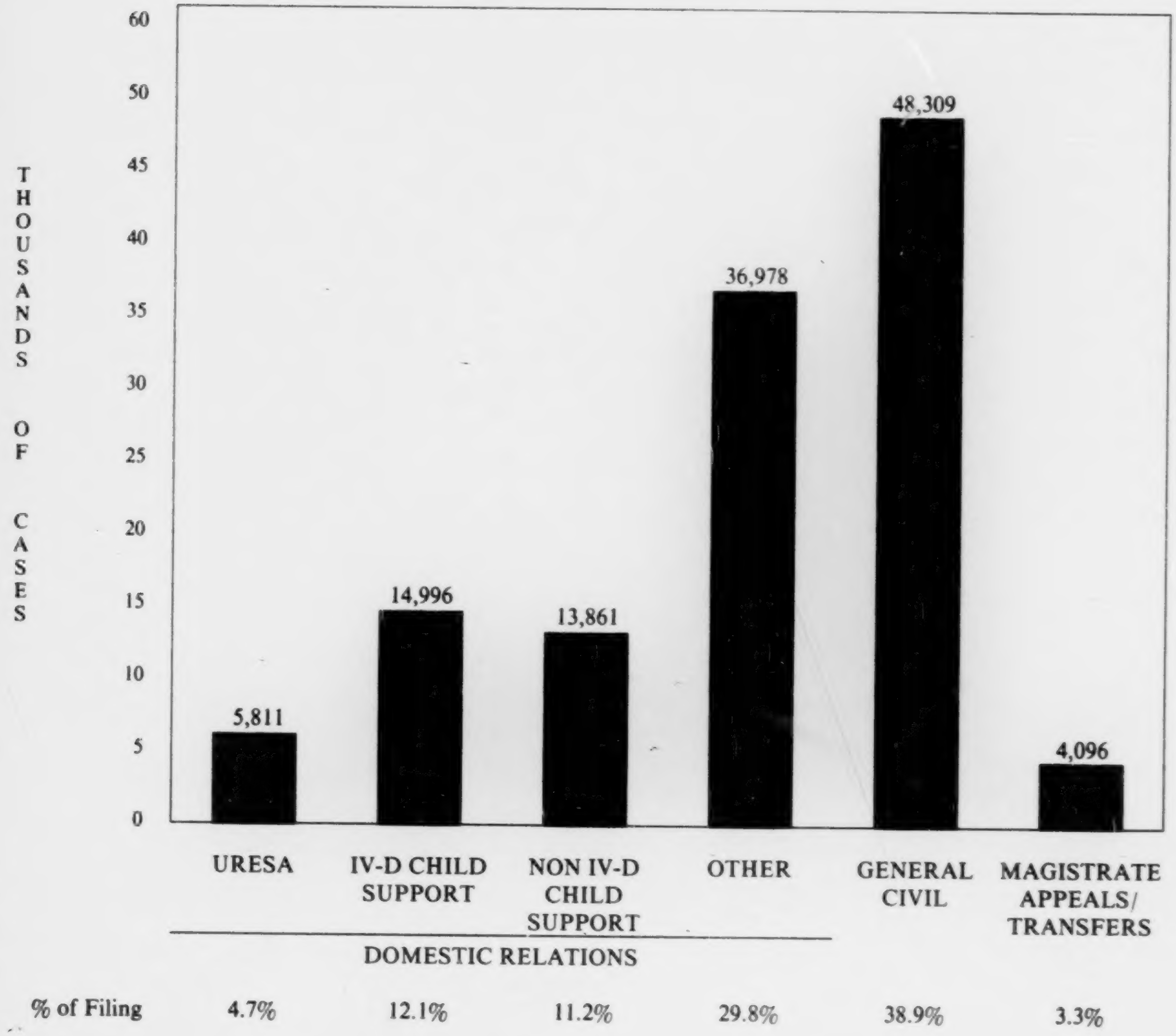
July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988



From 1986-87 to 1987-88, filings of domestic relations caces increased by 5.9% and dispositions of domestic relations cases increased by 3.6%. General civil filings increased by 6.6% and dispositions incresed by 8.3%.

FILINGS OF CIVIL (NON—MAGISTRATE) CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988



"URESA" stands for the Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act, and refers to actions enforcing child support orders entered by judges in one state by the courts in another. "IV-D Child Support" refers to actions initiated by counties or the Department of Human Resources to collect child support owed to social services clients. "Non IV-D Child Support" actions are initiated by custodial parents themselves. The "Other" category includes civil actions such as annulment, divorce, equitable distribution of property, and alimony.

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CIVIL (NON-MAGISTRATE) CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Domestic Relations Cases						General Civil and Magistrate Appeals/Transfers					
	Begin Pending 7/1/87	Filings	Total	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/88	Begin Pending 7/1/87	Filings	Total	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/88
District 1												
Camden	11	24	35	17	48.6%	18	13	11	24	10	41.7%	14
Chowan	62	198	260	201	77.3%	59	57	59	116	64	55.2%	52
Currituck	36	121	157	103	65.6%	54	61	71	132	71	53.8%	61
Dare	82	217	299	201	67.2%	98	123	215	338	177	52.4%	161
Gates	21	59	80	56	70.0%	24	10	22	32	19	59.4%	13
Pasquotank	113	382	495	344	69.5%	151	113	133	246	138	56.1%	108
Perquimans	49	101	150	86	57.3%	64	34	41	75	45	60.0%	30
District Totals	374	1,102	1,476	1,008	68.3%	468	411	552	963	524	54.4%	439
District 2												
Beaufort	150	398	548	354	64.6%	194	131	160	291	160	55.0%	131
Hyde	15	45	60	40	66.7%	20	21	17	38	27	71.1%	11
Martin	94	240	334	224	67.1%	110	34	68	102	65	63.7%	37
Tyrrell	7	25	32	25	78.1%	7	17	7	24	16	66.7%	8
Washington	41	216	257	193	75.1%	64	19	53	72	47	65.3%	25
District Totals	307	924	1,231	836	67.9%	395	222	305	527	315	59.8%	212
District 3												
Carteret	167	605	772	569	73.7%	203	149	334	483	332	68.7%	151
Craven	365	1,055	1,420	1,013	71.3%	407	251	660	911	656	72.0%	255
Pamlico	30	84	114	92	80.7%	22	12	29	41	31	75.6%	10
Pitt	263	856	1,119	854	76.3%	265	299	819	1,118	769	68.8%	349
District Totals	825	2,600	3,425	2,528	73.8%	897	711	1,842	2,553	1,788	70.0%	765
District 4												
Duplin	148	402	550	402	73.1%	148	93	145	238	137	57.6%	101
Jones	25	90	115	69	60.0%	46	48	48	96	47	49.0%	49
Onslow	918	1,826	2,744	1,854	67.6%	890	686	847	1,533	973	63.5%	560
Sampson	144	525	669	536	80.1%	133	127	325	452	314	69.5%	138
District Totals	1,235	2,843	4,078	2,861	70.2%	1,217	954	1,365	2,319	1,471	63.4%	848
District 5												
New Hanover	554	1,673	2,227	1,521	68.3%	706	921	1,798	2,719	1,639	60.3%	1,080
Pender	101	251	352	237	67.3%	115	85	234	319	194	60.8%	125
District Totals	655	1,924	2,579	1,758	68.2%	821	1,006	2,032	3,038	1,833	60.3%	1,205
District 6												
Bertie	85	252	337	270	80.1%	67	46	75	121	84	69.4%	37
Halifax	169	950	1,119	893	79.8%	226	77	196	273	187	68.5%	86
Hertford	91	381	472	375	79.4%	97	73	166	239	181	75.7%	58
Northampton	54	224	278	207	74.5%	71	26	74	100	60	60.0%	40
District Totals	399	1,807	2,206	1,745	79.1%	461	222	511	733	512	69.8%	221
District 7												
Edgecombe	218	595	813	624	76.8%	189	104	275	379	219	57.8%	160
Nash	221	1,043	1,264	995	78.7%	269	241	659	900	647	71.9%	253
Wilson	215	700	915	751	82.1%	164	141	480	621	412	66.3%	209
District Totals	654	2,338	2,992	2,370	79.2%	622	486	1,414	1,900	1,278	67.3%	622
District 8												
Greene	32	88	120	99	82.5%	21	16	93	109	70	64.2%	39
Lenoir	244	741	985	672	68.2%	313	223	439	662	428	64.7%	234
Wayne	518	1,447	1,965	1,433	72.9%	532	461	779	1,240	709	57.2%	531
District Totals	794	2,276	3,070	2,204	71.8%	866	700	1,311	2,011	1,207	60.0%	804

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District 9												
Franklin	102	335	437	334	76.4%	103	77	115	192	119	62.0%	73
Granville	97	321	418	301	72.0%	117	40	145	185	108	58.4%	77
Person	69	286	355	291	82.0%	64	89	106	195	132	67.7%	63
Vance	152	560	712	546	76.7%	166	115	207	322	189	58.7%	133
Warren	62	215	277	202	72.9%	75	36	77	113	58	51.3%	55
District Totals	482	1,717	2,199	1,674	76.1%	525	357	650	1,007	606	60.2%	401
District 10												
Wake	2,840	3,970	6,810	3,502	51.4%	3,308	4,092	6,032	10,124	5,803	57.3%	4,321
District 11												
Harnett	222	714	936	698	74.6%	238	203	575	778	497	63.9%	281
Johnston	309	935	1,244	925	74.4%	319	307	642	949	522	55.0%	427
Lee	133	618	751	569	75.8%	182	153	577	730	463	63.4%	267
District Totals	664	2,267	2,931	2,192	74.8%	739	663	1,794	2,457	1,482	60.3%	975
District 12												
Cumberland	2,407	4,751	7,158	4,901	68.5%	2,257	866	1,352	2,218	1,388	62.6%	830
Hoke	103	284	387	278	71.8%	109	48	105	153	103	67.3%	50
District Totals	2,510	5,035	7,545	5,179	68.6%	2,366	914	1,457	2,371	1,491	62.9%	880
District 13												
Bladen	62	295	357	275	77.0%	82	139	246	385	225	58.4%	160
Brunswick	281	501	782	410	52.4%	372	566	519	1,085	467	43.0%	618
Columbus	349	610	959	570	59.4%	389	445	372	817	329	40.3%	488
District Totals	692	1,406	2,098	1,255	59.8%	843	1,150	1,137	2,287	1,021	44.6%	1,266
District 14												
Durham	948	1,875	2,823	1,706	60.4%	1,117	1,313	1,788	3,101	1,819	58.7%	1,282
District 15A												
Alamance	309	1,167	1,476	1,125	76.2%	351	314	732	1,046	589	56.3%	457
District 15B												
Chatham	83	287	370	268	72.4%	102	53	116	169	105	62.1%	64
Orange	301	623	924	573	62.0%	351	389	518	907	458	50.5%	449
District Totals	384	910	1,294	841	65.0%	453	442	634	1,076	563	52.3%	513
District 16												
Robeson	237	1,185	1,422	1,109	78.0%	313	471	649	1,120	722	64.5%	398
Scotland	130	355	485	347	71.5%	138	89	195	284	182	64.1%	102
District Totals	367	1,540	1,907	1,456	76.4%	451	560	844	1,404	904	64.4%	500
District 17A												
Caswell	53	142	195	158	81.0%	37	25	70	95	59	62.1%	36
Rockingham	180	876	1,056	829	78.5%	227	104	541	645	394	61.1%	251
District Totals	233	1,018	1,251	987	78.9%	264	129	611	740	453	61.2%	287
District 17B												
Stokes	38	172	210	144	68.6%	66	76	136	212	148	69.8%	64
Surry	172	566	738	597	80.9%	141	137	285	422	324	76.8%	98
District Totals	210	738	948	741	78.2%	207	213	421	634	472	74.4%	162

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District 18												
Guilford	1,921	4,165	6,086	3,715	61.0%	2,371	3,273	4,770	8,043	3,911	48.6%	4,132
District 19A												
Cabarrus	219	1,034	1,253	965	77.0%	288	352	469	821	480	58.5%	341
Rowan	233	966	1,199	981	81.8%	218	308	558	866	590	68.1%	276
District Totals	452	2,000	2,452	1,946	79.4%	506	660	1,027	1,687	1,070	63.4%	617
District 19B												
Montgomery	84	192	276	170	61.6%	106	173	232	405	239	59.0%	166
Randolph	247	755	1,002	710	70.9%	292	137	355	492	326	66.3%	166
District Totals	331	947	1,278	880	68.9%	398	310	587	897	565	63.0%	332
District 20												
Anson	94	345	439	301	68.6%	138	82	99	181	63	34.8%	118
Moore	335	490	825	547	66.3%	278	494	296	790	303	38.4%	487
Richmond	136	547	683	449	65.7%	234	116	248	364	141	38.7%	223
Stanly	202	403	605	358	59.2%	247	310	209	519	174	33.5%	345
Union	254	702	956	658	68.8%	298	399	397	796	418	52.5%	378
District Totals	1,021	2,487	3,508	2,313	65.9%	1,195	1,401	1,249	2,650	1,099	41.5%	1,551
District 21												
Forsyth	1,376	2,823	4,199	2,987	71.1%	1,212	1,955	2,522	4,477	2,640	59.0%	1,837
District 22												
Alexander	40	223	263	219	83.3%	44	36	108	144	108	75.0%	36
Davidson	430	1,067	1,497	977	65.3%	520	324	623	947	617	65.2%	330
Davie	68	214	282	214	75.9%	68	61	187	248	155	62.5%	93
Iredell	281	938	1,219	954	78.3%	265	301	585	886	569	64.2%	317
District Totals	819	2,442	3,261	2,364	72.5%	897	722	1,503	2,225	1,449	65.1%	776
District 23												
Alleghany	17	88	105	84	80.0%	21	26	50	76	48	63.2%	28
Ashe	52	197	249	178	71.5%	71	50	67	117	75	64.1%	42
Wilkes	130	585	715	612	85.6%	103	325	478	803	623	77.6%	180
Yadkin	70	225	295	211	71.5%	84	87	146	233	149	63.9%	84
District Totals	269	1,095	1,364	1,085	79.5%	279	488	741	1,229	895	72.8%	334
District 24												
Avery	67	134	201	127	63.2%	74	115	165	280	186	66.4%	94
Madison	34	139	173	112	64.7%	61	24	35	59	38	64.4%	21
Mitchell	47	121	168	121	72.0%	47	98	83	181	151	83.4%	30
Watauga	112	283	395	305	77.2%	90	133	315	448	340	75.9%	108
Yancey	46	123	169	112	66.3%	57	19	36	55	35	63.6%	20
District Totals	306	800	1,106	777	70.3%	329	389	634	1,023	750	73.3%	273
District 25												
Burke	206	764	970	708	73.0%	262	160	342	502	363	72.3%	139
Caldwell	195	774	969	703	72.5%	266	161	432	593	359	60.5%	234
Catawba	454	1,418	1,872	1,356	72.4%	516	370	745	1,115	805	72.2%	310
District Totals	855	2,956	3,811	2,767	72.6%	1,044	691	1,519	2,210	1,527	69.1%	683
District 26												
Mecklenburg	1,828	5,224	7,052	4,511	64.0%	2,541	4,663	8,383	13,046	7,461	57.2%	5,585

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District 27A												
Gaston	707	2,386	3,093	2,261	73.1%	832	317	724	1,041	668	64.2%	373
District 27B												
Cleveland	211	1,140	1,351	1,115	82.5%	236	84	341	425	321	75.5%	104
Lincoln	92	482	574	488	85.0%	86	59	164	223	167	74.9%	56
District Totals	303	1,622	1,925	1,603	83.3%	322	143	505	648	488	75.3%	160
District 28												
Buncombe	899	2,074	2,973	2,159	72.6%	814	741	1,415	2,156	1,514	70.2%	642
District 29												
Henderson	214	683	897	709	79.0%	188	205	339	544	335	61.6%	209
McDowell	130	332	462	335	72.5%	127	64	135	199	132	66.3%	67
Polk	30	97	127	105	82.7%	22	29	31	60	44	73.3%	16
Rutherford	150	538	688	464	67.4%	224	80	146	226	137	60.6%	89
Transylvania	128	232	360	259	71.9%	101	140	131	271	192	70.8%	79
District Totals	652	1,882	2,534	1,872	73.9%	662	518	782	1,300	840	64.6%	460
District 30												
Cherokee	68	171	239	163	68.2%	76	18	63	81	60	74.1%	21
Clay	17	70	87	60	69.0%	27	9	26	35	19	54.3%	16
Graham	36	78	114	91	79.8%	23	18	30	48	31	64.6%	17
Haywood	229	484	713	503	70.5%	210	135	177	312	184	59.0%	128
Jackson	94	197	291	211	72.5%	80	54	150	204	143	70.1%	61
Macon	78	192	270	172	63.7%	98	56	138	194	105	54.1%	89
Swain	47	94	141	99	70.2%	42	31	28	59	47	79.7%	12
District Totals	569	1,286	1,855	1,299	70.0%	556	321	612	933	589	63.1%	344
State Totals	27,190	71,646	98,836	68,507	69.3%	30,329	31,451	52,405	83,856	49,597	59.1%	34,259

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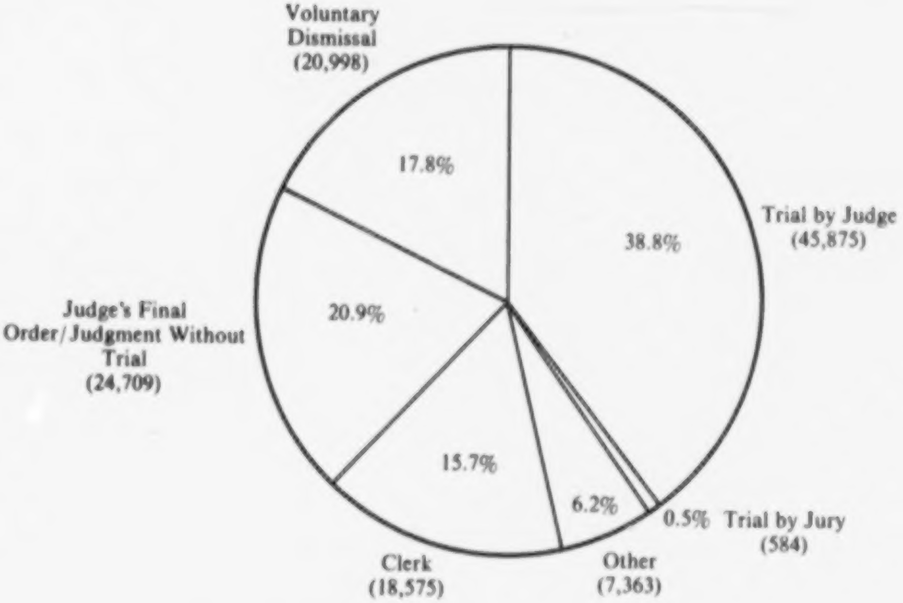

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District 1								
Camden	Gen	0	1	3	1	5	0	10
	Dom	0	7	3	5	1	1	17
Chowan	Gen	0	10	25	3	21	5	64
	Dom	0	90	19	85	3	4	201
Currituck	Gen	1	13	14	5	8	30	71
	Dom	0	55	18	26	0	4	103
Dare	Gen	0	11	78	30	54	4	177
	Dom	0	8	25	157	0	11	201
Gates	Gen	1	0	8	1	7	2	19
	Dom	11	16	3	25	0	1	56
Pasquotank	Gen	1	22	34	11	61	9	138
	Dom	0	208	31	92	1	12	344
Perquimans	Gen	1	6	24	7	6	1	45
	Dom	0	46	7	31	0	2	86
Dist Totals	Gen	4	63	186	58	162	51	524
% of Total		0.8%	12.0%	35.5%	11.1%	30.9%	9.7%	100.0%
	Dom	11	430	106	421	5	35	1,008
% of Total		1.1%	42.7%	10.5%	41.8%	0.5%	3.5%	100.0%
District 2								
Beaufort	Gen	1	20	49	24	58	8	160
	Dom	1	188	23	118	17	7	354
Hyde	Gen	0	1	10	8	6	2	27
	Dom	0	0	1	36	0	3	40
Martin	Gen	0	12	19	4	26	4	65
	Dom	0	71	21	106	1	25	224
Tyrrell	Gen	1	1	9	5	0	0	16
	Dom	0	0	0	25	0	0	25
Washington	Gen	1	3	25	5	9	4	47
	Dom	0	73	5	106	0	9	193
Dist Totals	Gen	3	37	112	46	99	18	315
% of Total		1.0%	11.7%	35.6%	14.6%	31.4%	5.7%	100.0%
	Dom	1	332	50	391	18	44	836
% of Total		0.1%	39.7%	6.0%	46.8%	2.2%	5.3%	100.0%
District 3								
Carteret	Gen	3	49	115	59	86	20	332
	Dom	0	389	30	79	3	68	569
Craven	Gen	1	41	195	100	258	61	656
	Dom	17	545	63	203	7	178	1,013
Pamlico	Gen	0	3	10	11	4	3	31
	Dom	0	36	3	40	0	13	92
Pitt	Gen	1	95	261	348	2	62	769
	Dom	0	671	45	35	1	102	854
Dist Totals	Gen	5	188	581	518	350	146	1,788
% of Total		0.3%	10.5%	32.5%	29.0%	19.6%	8.2%	100.0%
	Dom	17	1,641	141	357	11	361	2,528
% of Total		0.7%	64.9%	5.6%	14.1%	0.4%	14.3%	100.0%
District 4								
Duplin	Gen	2	16	39	20	58	2	137
	Dom	2	140	20	231	0	9	402
Jones	Gen	0	0	4	32	6	5	47
	Dom	0	0	8	51	3	7	69
Onslow	Gen	2	247	188	31	271	234	973
	Dom	13	1,401	109	70	3	258	1,854
Sampson	Gen	7	31	170	4	89	13	314
	Dom	8	219	64	188	2	55	536
Dist Totals	Gen	11	294	401	87	424	254	1,471
% of Total		0.7%	20.0%	27.3%	5.9%	28.8%	17.3%	100.0%
	Dom	23	1,760	201	340	8	329	2,861
% of Total		0.8%	61.5%	7.0%	18.9%	0.3%	11.5%	100.0%

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District 5								
New Hanover	Gen	14	224	505	175	594	127	1,639
	Dom	4	851	90	476	4	96	1,521
Pender	Gen	2	14	82	19	74	3	194
	Dom	2	101	16	108	0	10	237
Dist Totals	Gen	16	238	587	194	668	130	1,833
% of Total		0.9%	13.0%	32.0%	10.6%	36.4%	7.1%	100.0%
	Dom	6	952	106	584	4	106	1,758
% of Total		0.3%	54.2%	6.0%	33.2%	0.2%	6.0%	100.0%
District 6								
Bertie	Gen	6	9	22	6	40	1	84
	Dom	1	83	17	159	3	7	270
Halifax	Gen	3	49	50	36	49	0	187
	Dom	1	235	26	607	1	23	893
Hertford	Gen	2	14	35	57	72	1	181
	Dom	0	150	22	198	2	3	375
Northampton	Gen	0	15	8	0	34	3	60
	Dom	1	178	7	2	0	19	207
Dist Totals	Gen	11	87	115	99	195	5	512
% of Total		2.1%	17.0%	22.5%	19.3%	38.1%	1.0%	100.0%
	Dom	3	646	72	966	6	52	1,745
% of Total		0.2%	37.0%	4.1%	55.4%	0.3%	3.0%	100.0%
District 7								
Edgecombe	Gen	0	21	77	24	60	37	219
	Dom	4	284	39	250	1	46	624
Nash	Gen	5	73	180	105	280	4	647
	Dom	2	547	30	405	1	10	995
Wilson	Gen	4	48	135	54	155	16	412
	Dom	3	422	42	248	7	29	751
Dist Totals	Gen	9	142	392	183	495	57	1,278
% of Total		0.7%	11.1%	30.7%	14.3%	38.7%	4.5%	100.0%
	Dom	9	1,253	111	903	9	85	2,370
% of Total		0.4%	52.9%	4.7%	38.1%	0.4%	3.6%	100.0%
District 8								
Greene	Gen	1	0	11	44	8	6	70
	Dom	0	1	4	80	0	14	99
Lenoir	Gen	9	40	125	85	169	0	428
	Dom	2	402	68	194	4	2	672
Wayne	Gen	8	99	258	37	262	45	709
	Dom	5	842	186	334	12	54	1,433
Dist Totals	Gen	18	139	394	166	439	51	1,207
% of Total		1.5%	11.5%	32.6%	13.8%	36.4%	4.2%	100.0%
	Dom	7	1,245	258	608	16	70	2,204
% of Total		0.3%	56.5%	11.7%	27.6%	0.7%	3.2%	100.0%
District 9								
Franklin	Gen	0	14	41	12	39	13	119
	Dom	2	96	31	193	3	9	334
Granville	Gen	1	23	43	9	23	9	108
	Dom	0	122	17	61	64	37	301
Person	Gen	2	45	40	3	40	2	132
	Dom	0	262	29	0	0	0	291
Vance	Gen	0	44	48	2	69	26	189
	Dom	0	268	37	211	2	28	546
Warren	Gen	1	10	20	13	14	0	58
	Dom	0	86	12	100	0	4	202
Dist Totals	Gen	4	136	192	39	185	50	606
% of Total		0.7%	22.4%	31.7%	6.4%	30.5%	8.3%	100.0%
	Dom	2	834	126	565	69	78	1,674
% of Total		0.1%	49.8%	7.5%	33.8%	4.1%	4.7%	100.0%

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District 10								
Wake	Gen	29	443	1,471	755	2,895	205	5,803
% of Total		0.5%	7.7%	25.3%	13.0%	49.9%	3.5%	100.0%
	Dom	0	2,145	190	912	3	252	3,502
% of Total		0.0%	61.3%	5.4%	26.0%	0.1%	7.2%	100.0%
District 11								
Harnett	Gen	5	57	249	72	114	0	497
	Dom	1	306	79	295	7	9	698
Johnston	Gen	7	3	180	150	177	5	522
	Dom	3	303	107	498	6	8	925
Lee	Gen	5	35	133	52	183	0	463
	Dom	0	300	73	189	1	1	569
Dist Totals	Gen	17	95	617	274	474	5	1,482
% of Total		1.1%	6.4%	41.6%	18.5%	32.0%	0.3%	100.0%
	Dom	4	909	264	983	14	18	2,192
% of Total		0.2%	41.5%	12.0%	44.8%	0.6%	0.8%	100.0%
District 12								
Cumberland	Gen	8	258	423	63	462	174	1,388
	Dom	1	2,613	370	1,095	5	817	4,901
Hoke	Gen	0	25	42	0	36	0	103
	Dom	0	100	32	85	0	61	278
Dist Totals	Gen	8	283	465	63	498	174	1,491
% of Total		0.5%	19.0%	31.2%	4.2%	33.4%	11.7%	100.0%
	Dom	1	2,713	402	1,180	5	878	5,179
% of Total		0.0%	52.4%	7.8%	22.8%	0.1%	17.0%	100.0%
District 13								
Bladen	Gen	7	26	101	17	62	12	225
	Dom	1	125	16	124	1	8	275
Brunswick	Gen	5	84	242	41	91	4	467
	Dom	0	201	48	158	0	3	410
Columbus	Gen	14	60	109	37	39	20	329
	Dom	1	399	62	105	0	3	570
Dist Totals	Gen	26	170	452	95	242	36	1,021
% of Total		2.5%	16.7%	44.3%	9.3%	23.7%	3.5%	100.0%
	Dom	2	725	126	387	1	14	1,255
% of Total		0.2%	57.8%	10.0%	30.8%	0.1%	1.1%	100.0%
District 14								
Durham	Gen	3	160	516	167	752	221	1,819
% of Total		0.2%	3.8%	28.4%	9.2%	41.3%	12.1%	100.0%
	Dom	0	1,074	95	393	2	142	1,706
% of Total		0.0%	63.0%	5.6%	23.0%	0.1%	8.3%	100.0%
District 15A								
Alamance	Gen	7	81	202	35	227	37	589
% of Total		1.2%	13.8%	34.3%	5.9%	38.5%	6.3%	100.0%
	Dom	3	725	88	246	28	35	1,125
% of Total		0.3%	64.4%	7.8%	21.9%	2.5%	3.1%	100.0%
District 15B								
Chatham	Gen	5	18	47	7	24	4	105
	Dom	1	150	14	83	3	17	268
Orange	Gen	1	115	130	25	186	1	458
	Dom	1	344	39	177	3	9	573
Dist Totals	Gen	6	133	177	32	210	5	563
% of Total		1.1%	23.6%	31.4%	5.7%	37.3%	0.9%	100.0%
	Dom	2	494	53	260	6	26	841
% of Total		0.2%	58.7%	6.3%	30.9%	0.7%	3.1%	100.0%

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District 16								
Robeson	Gen	5	130	235	19	201	132	722
	Dom	0	574	79	397	9	50	1,109
Scotland	Gen	2	25	43	9	86	17	182
	Dom	0	216	20	75	0	36	347
Dist Totals	Gen	7	155	278	28	287	149	904
% of Total		0.8%	17.1%	30.8%	3.1%	31.7%	16.5%	100.0%
	Dom	0	790	99	472	9	86	1,456
% of Total		0.0%	54.3%	6.8%	32.4%	0.6%	5.9%	100.0%
District 17A								
Caswell	Gen	0	0	16	23	15	5	59
	Dom	0	4	13	121	4	16	158
Rockingham	Gen	8	21	93	12	243	17	394
	Dom	0	469	68	231	5	56	829
Dist Totals	Gen	8	21	109	35	258	22	453
% of Total		1.8%	4.6%	24.1%	7.7%	57.0%	4.9%	100.0%
	Dom	0	473	81	352	9	72	987
% of Total		0.0%	47.9%	8.2%	35.7%	0.9%	7.3%	100.0%
District 17B								
Stokes	Gen	1	10	37	86	5	9	148
	Dom	3	21	8	104	0	8	144
Surry	Gen	2	38	101	44	138	1	324
	Dom	0	293	41	258	4	1	597
Dist Totals	Gen	3	48	138	130	143	10	472
% of Total		0.6%	10.2%	29.2%	27.5%	30.3%	2.1%	100.0%
	Dom	3	314	49	362	4	9	741
% of Total		0.4%	42.4%	6.6%	48.9%	0.5%	1.2%	100.0%
District 18								
Guilford	Gen	23	368	1,262	477	1,625	156	3,911
% of Total		0.6%	9.4%	32.3%	12.2%	41.5%	4.0%	100.0%
	Dom	24	3,229	143	227	21	71	3,715
% of Total		0.6%	86.9%	3.8%	6.1%	0.6%	1.9%	100.0%
District 19A								
Cabarrus	Gen	5	50	191	140	89	5	480
	Dom	0	557	46	353	4	5	965
Rowan	Gen	4	111	202	33	240	0	590
	Dom	0	715	78	185	2	1	981
Dist Totals	Gen	9	161	393	173	329	5	1,070
% of Total		0.8%	15.0%	36.7%	16.2%	30.7%	0.5%	100.0%
	Dom	0	1,272	124	538	6	6	1,946
% of Total		0.0%	65.4%	6.4%	27.6%	0.3%	0.3%	100.0%
District 19B								
Montgomery	Gen	0	26	99	19	95	0	239
	Dom	0	161	6	3	0	0	170
Randolph	Gen	8	45	90	16	151	16	326
	Dom	1	375	57	195	11	71	710
Dist Totals	Gen	8	71	139	35	246	16	565
% of Total		1.4%	12.6%	33.5%	6.2%	43.5%	2.8%	100.0%
	Dom	1	536	63	198	11	71	880
% of Total		0.1%	60.9%	7.2%	22.5%	1.3%	8.1%	100.0%

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District 20								
Anson	Gen	1	8	30	8	14	2	63
	Dom	1	138	11	139	10	2	301
Moore	Gen	4	94	118	16	68	3	303
	Dom	2	382	57	85	2	19	547
Richmond	Gen	3	27	61	5	45	0	141
	Dom	2	396	23	16	12	0	449
Stanly	Gen	2	18	44	106	3	1	174
	Dom	0	203	14	135	0	6	358
Union	Gen	15	65	187	20	130	1	418
	Dom	2	441	55	154	3	3	658
Dist Totals	Gen	25	212	440	155	260	7	1,099
% of Total		2.3%	19.3%	40.0%	14.1%	23.7%	0.6%	100.0%
	Dom	7	1,560	160	529	27	30	2,313
% of Total		0.3%	67.4%	6.9%	22.9%	1.2%	1.3%	100.0%
District 21								
Forsyth	Gen	11	168	888	319	1,080	174	2,640
% of Total		0.4%	6.4%	33.6%	12.1%	40.9%	6.6%	100.0%
	Dom	0	1,801	288	566	21	311	2,987
% of Total		0.0%	60.3%	9.6%	18.9%	0.7%	10.4%	100.0%
District 22								
Alexander	Gen	0	7	38	3	49	11	108
	Dom	0	116	13	67	2	21	219
Davidson	Gen	5	66	214	61	252	19	617
	Dom	1	506	83	357	10	20	977
Davie	Gen	3	35	51	12	32	22	155
	Dom	0	136	33	30	2	13	214
Iredell	Gen	2	109	184	30	209	35	569
	Dom	6	435	137	306	9	61	954
Dist Totals	Gen	10	217	487	106	542	87	1,449
% of Total		0.7%	15.0%	33.6%	7.3%	37.4%	6.0%	100.0%
	Dom	7	1,193	266	760	23	115	2,364
% of Total		0.3%	50.5%	11.3%	32.1%	1.0%	4.9%	100.0%
District 23								
Alleghany	Gen	1	13	18	2	10	4	48
	Dom	2	56	5	17	0	4	84
Ashe	Gen	4	12	30	4	19	6	75
	Dom	0	143	12	12	2	9	178
Wilkes	Gen	2	43	177	155	239	7	623
	Dom	0	212	53	322	7	18	612
Yadkin	Gen	3	7	46	27	64	2	149
	Dom	1	121	17	67	1	4	211
Dist Totals	Gen	10	75	271	188	332	19	895
% of Total		1.1%	8.4%	30.3%	21.0%	37.1%	2.1%	100.0%
	Dom	3	532	87	418	10	35	1,085
% of Total		0.3%	49.0%	8.0%	38.5%	0.9%	3.2%	100.0%
District 24								
Avery	Gen	0	5	82	25	68	6	186
	Dom	0	70	10	37	0	10	127
Madison	Gen	0	9	11	14	1	3	38
	Dom	0	55	18	31	0	8	112
Mitchell	Gen	0	10	99	39	0	3	151
	Dom	0	41	16	60	0	4	121
Watauga	Gen	0	57	135	29	100	19	340
	Dom	0	160	28	72	0	45	305
Yancey	Gen	0	10	11	9	4	1	35
	Dom	0	76	16	15	1	4	112
Dist Totals	Gen	0	91	338	116	173	32	750
% of Total		0.0%	12.1%	45.1%	15.5%	23.1%	4.3%	100.0%
	Dom	0	402	88	215	1	71	777
% of Total		0.0%	51.7%	11.3%	27.7%	0.1%	9.1%	100.0%

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District 25								
Burke	Gen	4	59	109	62	80	49	363
	Dom	2	437	63	172	0	34	708
Caldwell	Gen	3	3	143	65	133	12	359
	Dom	0	458	34	192	1	18	703
Catawba	Gen	14	69	243	140	304	30	805
	Dom	2	783	107	456	0	8	1,356
Dist Totals	Gen	21	136	495	267	517	91	1,527
% of Total		1.4%	8.9%	32.4%	17.5%	33.9%	6.0%	100.0%
	Dom	4	1,678	204	820	1	60	2,767
% of Total		0.1%	60.6%	7.4%	29.6%	0.0%	2.2%	100.0%
District 26								
Mecklenburg	Gen	25	985	2,485	754	2,792	420	7,461
% of Total		0.3%	13.2%	33.3%	10.1%	37.4%	5.6%	100.0%
	Dom	2	3,525	274	660	27	23	4,511
% of Total		0.0%	78.1%	6.1%	14.6%	0.6%	0.5%	100.0%
District 27A								
Gaston	Gen	14	103	247	42	223	39	668
% of Total		2.1%	15.4%	37.0%	6.3%	33.4%	5.8%	100.0%
	Dom	2	1,475	136	364	4	280	2,261
% of Total		0.1%	65.2%	6.0%	16.1%	0.2%	12.4%	100.0%
District 27B								
Cleveland	Gen	7	37	92	45	110	30	321
	Dom	4	588	66	394	0	63	1,115
Lincoln	Gen	7	26	47	36	49	2	167
	Dom	0	216	43	222	5	2	488
Dist Totals	Gen	14	63	139	81	159	32	488
% of Total		2.9%	12.9%	28.5%	16.6%	32.6%	6.6%	100.0%
	Dom	4	804	109	616	5	65	1,603
% of Total		0.2%	50.2%	6.8%	38.4%	0.3%	4.1%	100.0%
District 28								
Buncombe	Gen	20	186	473	173	502	160	1,514
% of Total		1.3%	12.3%	31.2%	11.4%	33.2%	10.6%	100.0%
	Dom	1	837	220	827	25	249	2,159
% of Total		0.0%	38.8%	10.2%	38.3%	1.2%	11.5%	100.0%
District 29								
Henderson	Gen	3	16	94	56	73	93	335
	Dom	3	487	35	101	4	79	709
McDowell	Gen	4	5	33	27	54	9	132
	Dom	0	20	33	252	2	28	335
Polk	Gen	0	2	22	9	5	6	44
	Dom	0	2	3	89	0	11	105
Rutherford	Gen	6	29	44	26	22	10	137
	Dom	0	327	18	105	8	6	464
Transylvania	Gen	1	14	85	52	32	8	192
	Dom	0	121	22	60	1	55	259
Dist Totals	Gen	14	66	278	170	186	126	840
% of Total		1.7%	7.9%	33.1%	20.2%	22.1%	15.0%	100.0%
	Dom	3	957	111	607	15	179	1,372
% of Total		0.2%	51.1%	5.9%	32.4%	0.8%	9.6%	100.0%

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District 30								
Cherokee	Gen	1	14	18	1	19	7	60
	Dom	0	103	13	24	0	18	163
Clay	Gen	1	3	12	0	0	3	19
	Dom	0	21	7	29	1	2	60
Graham	Gen	3	7	10	2	9	0	31
	Dom	7	49	23	8	2	2	91
Haywood	Gen	2	41	52	9	70	10	184
	Dom	3	349	50	85	0	16	503
Jackson	Gen	6	13	43	19	50	12	143
	Dom	1	28	19	153	0	10	211
Macon	Gen	0	16	40	18	22	9	105
	Dom	0	88	24	45	0	15	172
Swain	Gen	7	8	11	8	8	5	47
	Dom	2	59	10	21	1	6	99
Dist Totals	Gen	20	102	186	57	178	46	589
% of Total		3.4%	17.3%	31.6%	9.7%	30.2%	7.8%	100.0%
	Dom	13	697	151	365	4	69	1,299
% of Total		1.0%	53.7%	11.6%	28.1%	0.3%	5.3%	100.0%
State Totals	Gen	419	5,922	15,956	6,117	18,147	3,036	49,597
% of Total		0.8%	11.9%	32.2%	12.3%	36.6%	6.1%	100.0%
	Dom	165	39,953	5,042	18,592	428	4,327	68,507
% of Total		0.2%	58.3%	7.4%	27.1%	0.6%	6.3%	100.0%

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1988

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)								
	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%	Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
District 1									
Camden	11	61.1%	2	11.1%	5	27.8%	18	248.4	104.5
Chowan	36	61.0%	11	18.6%	12	20.3%	59	237.5	105.0
Currituck	34	63.0%	14	25.9%	6	11.1%	54	136.0	106.5
Dare	61	62.2%	19	19.4%	18	18.4%	98	202.6	120.5
Gates	17	70.8%	4	16.7%	3	12.5%	24	138.7	86.0
Pasquotank	101	66.9%	14	9.3%	36	23.8%	151	219.2	100.0
Perquimans	31	48.4%	8	12.5%	25	39.1%	64	503.2	207.0
District Totals	291	62.2%	72	15.4%	105	22.4%	468	250.0	111.0
District 2									
Beaufort	72	37.1%	43	22.2%	79	40.7%	194	369.6	274.0
Hyde	11	55.0%	5	25.0%	4	20.0%	20	183.1	172.0
Martin	62	56.4%	15	13.6%	33	30.0%	110	339.5	129.5
Tyrrell	4	57.1%	3	42.9%	0	0.0%	7	170.4	168.0
Washington	45	70.3%	11	17.2%	8	12.5%	64	173.4	80.0
District Totals	194	49.1%	77	19.5%	124	31.4%	395	316.5	190.0
District 3									
Carteret	155	76.4%	42	20.7%	6	3.0%	203	111.2	69.0
Craven	298	73.2%	80	19.7%	29	7.1%	407	130.6	80.0
Pamlico	15	68.2%	3	13.6%	4	18.2%	22	162.8	98.5
Pitt	205	77.4%	46	17.4%	14	5.3%	265	121.4	62.0
District Totals	673	75.0%	171	19.1%	53	5.9%	897	124.3	71.0
District 4									
Duplin	92	62.2%	29	19.6%	27	18.2%	148	213.0	92.5
Jones	24	52.2%	6	13.0%	16	34.8%	46	404.1	152.5
Onslow	502	56.4%	154	17.3%	234	26.3%	890	246.7	130.5
Sampson	107	80.5%	11	8.3%	15	11.3%	133	140.1	56.0
District Totals	725	59.6%	200	16.4%	292	24.0%	1,217	237.5	111.0
District 5									
New Hanover	376	53.3%	163	23.1%	167	23.7%	706	235.2	146.0
Pender	49	42.6%	26	22.6%	40	34.8%	115	361.5	237.0
District Totals	425	51.8%	189	23.0%	207	25.2%	821	252.9	157.0
District 6									
Bertie	45	67.2%	14	20.9%	8	11.9%	67	159.2	77.0
Halifax	178	78.8%	35	15.5%	13	5.8%	226	120.0	71.0
Hertford	73	75.3%	21	21.6%	3	3.1%	97	110.6	69.0
Northampton	44	62.0%	15	21.1%	12	16.9%	71	173.4	114.0
District Totals	340	73.8%	85	18.4%	36	7.8%	461	131.9	77.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	123	65.1%	22	11.6%	44	23.3%	189	263.5	94.0
Nash	178	66.2%	42	15.6%	49	18.2%	269	224.8	106.0
Wilson	133	81.1%	20	12.2%	11	6.7%	164	117.9	51.0
District Totals	434	69.8%	84	13.5%	104	16.7%	622	209.9	84.5
District 8									
Greene	11	52.4%	2	9.5%	8	38.1%	21	307.4	156.0
Lenoir	216	69.0%	59	18.8%	38	12.1%	313	169.2	91.0
Wayne	312	58.6%	120	22.6%	100	18.8%	532	211.0	134.0
District Totals	539	62.2%	181	20.9%	146	16.9%	866	198.2	114.0

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	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%	Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
District 9									
Franklin	71	68.9%	21	20.4%	11	10.7%	103	196.7	84.0
Granville	77	65.8%	22	18.8%	18	15.4%	117	192.0	100.0
Person	51	79.7%	10	15.6%	3	4.7%	64	103.0	49.0
Vance	110	66.3%	32	19.3%	24	14.5%	166	133.5	97.0
Warren	44	58.7%	17	22.7%	14	18.7%	75	193.3	139.0
District Totals	353	67.2%	102	19.4%	70	13.3%	525	180.3	94.0
District 10									
Wake	961	29.1%	447	13.5%	1,900	57.4%	3,308	623.3	489.0
District 11									
Harnett	147	61.3%	58	24.4%	33	13.9%	238	174.1	106.0
Johnston	177	55.5%	78	24.5%	64	20.1%	319	201.3	149.0
Lee	121	66.5%	49	26.9%	12	6.6%	182	145.4	98.0
District Totals	445	60.2%	185	25.0%	109	14.7%	739	173.8	118.0
District 12									
Cumberland	1,184	52.5%	418	18.5%	655	29.0%	2,257	254.2	161.0
Hoke	47	43.1%	16	14.7%	46	42.2%	109	669.4	273.0
District Totals	1,231	52.0%	434	18.3%	701	29.6%	2,366	273.3	161.0
District 13									
Bladen	53	64.6%	9	11.0%	20	24.4%	82	235.9	132.0
Brunswick	123	33.1%	55	14.8%	194	52.2%	372	519.3	400.5
Columbus	128	32.9%	50	12.9%	211	54.2%	389	524.9	451.0
District Totals	304	36.1%	114	13.5%	425	50.4%	843	494.3	377.0
District 14									
Durham	443	39.7%	242	21.7%	432	38.7%	1,117	375.2	259.0
District 15A									
Alamance	249	70.9%	56	16.0%	46	13.1%	351	145.5	70.0
District 15B									
Chatham	65	63.7%	19	18.6%	18	17.6%	102	207.9	115.0
Orange	168	47.9%	76	21.7%	107	30.5%	351	306.6	212.0
District Totals	233	51.4%	95	21.0%	125	27.6%	453	284.4	168.0
District 16									
Robeson	203	64.9%	71	22.7%	39	12.5%	313	166.3	93.0
Scotland	87	63.0%	33	23.9%	18	13.0%	138	203.6	112.5
District Totals	290	64.3%	104	23.1%	57	12.6%	451	177.7	99.0
District 17A									
Caswell	18	48.6%	10	27.0%	9	24.3%	37	256.7	204.0
Rockingham	148	65.2%	61	26.9%	18	7.9%	227	156.4	86.0
District Totals	166	62.9%	71	26.9%	27	10.2%	264	170.4	98.5
District 17B									
Stokes	42	63.6%	13	19.7%	11	16.7%	66	180.7	95.5
Surry	97	68.8%	17	12.1%	27	19.1%	141	209.0	86.0
District Totals	139	67.1%	30	14.5%	38	18.4%	207	200.0	91.0

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1988

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
District 18									
Guilford	909	38.3%	308	13.0%	1,154	48.7%	2,371	521.9	339.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	199	69.1%	49	17.0%	40	13.9%	288	156.5	36.0
Rowan	176	80.7%	18	8.3%	24	11.0%	218	132.6	58.5
District Totals	375	74.1%	67	13.2%	64	12.6%	506	146.2	70.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	43	40.6%	18	17.0%	45	42.5%	106	435.6	285.0
Randolph	198	67.8%	47	16.1%	47	16.1%	292	190.8	105.0
District Totals	241	60.6%	65	16.3%	92	23.1%	398	256.0	125.0
District 20									
Anson	62	44.9%	33	23.9%	43	31.2%	138	312.1	197.5
Moore	117	42.1%	40	14.4%	121	43.5%	278	380.6	260.0
Richmond	123	52.6%	58	24.8%	53	22.6%	234	249.2	160.0
Stanly	69	27.9%	31	12.6%	147	59.5%	247	739.1	570.0
Union	150	50.3%	59	19.8%	89	29.9%	298	270.5	177.0
District Totals	521	43.6%	221	18.5%	453	37.9%	1,195	393.6	245.0
District 21									
Forsyth	657	54.2%	226	18.6%	329	27.1%	1,212	261.1	147.0
District 22									
Alexander	28	63.6%	10	22.7%	6	13.6%	44	163.3	108.5
Davidson	205	39.4%	112	21.5%	203	39.0%	520	347.9	254.0
Davie	52	76.5%	10	14.7%	6	8.8%	68	133.3	66.0
Iredell	164	61.9%	58	21.9%	43	16.2%	265	187.9	122.0
District Totals	449	50.1%	190	21.2%	258	28.8%	897	275.3	178.0
District 23									
Alleghany	18	85.7%	3	14.3%	0	0.0%	21	35.1	69.0
Ashe	44	62.0%	17	23.9%	10	14.1%	71	191.2	111.0
Wilkes	85	82.5%	15	14.6%	3	2.9%	103	102.0	61.0
Yadkin	53	63.1%	16	19.0%	15	17.9%	84	252.5	126.5
District Totals	200	71.7%	51	18.3%	28	10.0%	279	168.8	80.0
District 24									
Avery	32	43.2%	23	31.1%	19	25.7%	74	328.2	215.0
Madison	41	67.2%	10	16.4%	10	16.4%	61	171.0	87.0
Mitchell	32	68.1%	4	8.5%	11	23.4%	47	278.5	85.0
Watauga	55	61.1%	20	22.2%	15	16.7%	90	232.1	121.5
Yancey	47	82.5%	8	14.0%	2	3.5%	57	111.0	73.0
District Totals	207	62.9%	65	19.8%	57	17.3%	329	228.0	114.0
District 25									
Burke	158	60.3%	77	29.4%	27	10.3%	262	169.4	106.5
Caldwell	183	68.8%	47	17.7%	36	13.5%	266	174.0	86.5
Catawba	308	59.7%	90	17.4%	118	22.9%	516	215.9	93.5
District Totals	649	62.2%	214	20.5%	-181	17.3%	1,044	193.6	97.5
District 26									
Mecklenburg	1,385	54.5%	376	14.8%	780	30.7%	2,541	280.1	139.0

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	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
District 27A									
Gaston	478	57.5%	150	18.0%	204	24.5%	832	218.2	127.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	212	89.8%	22	9.3%	2	0.8%	236	85.6	50.5
Lincoln	82	95.3%	3	3.5%	1	1.2%	86	73.3	56.5
District Totals	294	91.3%	25	7.8%	3	0.9%	322	82.3	51.5
District 28									
Buncombe	487	59.8%	191	23.5%	136	16.7%	814	195.0	121.5
District 29									
Henderson	125	66.5%	33	17.6%	30	16.0%	188	222.0	77.0
McDowell	84	66.1%	27	21.3%	16	12.6%	127	169.5	108.0
Polk	14	63.6%	1	4.5%	7	31.8%	22	334.5	92.0
Rutherford	119	53.1%	24	10.7%	81	36.2%	224	385.9	141.0
Transylvania	63	62.4%	14	13.9%	24	23.8%	101	273.7	126.0
District Totals	405	61.2%	99	15.0%	158	23.9%	662	279.0	112.0
District 30									
Cherokee	37	48.7%	15	19.7%	24	31.6%	76	386.5	190.0
Clay	23	85.2%	2	7.4%	2	7.4%	27	135.8	55.0
Graham	14	60.9%	5	21.7%	4	17.4%	23	204.7	129.0
Haywood	127	60.5%	39	18.6%	44	21.0%	210	248.2	149.0
Jackson	51	63.8%	7	8.8%	22	27.5%	80	303.8	96.0
Macon	49	50.0%	16	16.3%	33	33.7%	98	345.9	181.0
Swain	24	57.1%	11	26.2%	7	16.7%	42	214.3	158.5
District Totals	325	58.5%	95	17.1%	136	24.5%	556	282.5	146.5
State Totals	16,017	52.8%	5,282	17.4%	9,030	29.8%	30,329	314.0	155.0

AGES OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS CASES DISPOSED IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
District 1									
Camden	11	64.7%	6	35.3%	0	0.0%	17	124.8	75.0
Chowan	173	86.1%	18	9.0%	10	5.0%	201	103.3	41.0
Currituck	83	80.6%	17	16.5%	3	2.9%	103	113.9	68.0
Dare	152	75.6%	23	11.4%	26	12.9%	201	173.0	77.0
Gates	49	87.5%	4	7.1%	3	5.4%	56	96.7	75.0
Pasquotank	298	86.6%	29	8.4%	17	4.9%	344	100.6	58.5
Perquimans	64	74.4%	9	10.5%	13	15.1%	86	180.3	86.0
District Totals	830	82.3%	106	10.5%	72	7.1%	1,008	123.9	64.0
District 2									
Beaufort	311	87.9%	21	5.9%	22	6.2%	354	92.5	41.0
Hyde	31	77.5%	4	10.0%	5	12.5%	40	129.5	42.5
Martin	177	79.0%	12	5.4%	35	15.6%	224	221.4	41.0
Tyrrell	25	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	25	46.9	29.0
Washington	172	89.1%	12	6.2%	9	4.7%	193	82.9	17.0
District Totals	716	85.6%	49	5.9%	71	8.5%	836	125.2	39.0
District 3									
Carteret	442	77.7%	82	14.4%	45	7.9%	569	125.7	64.0
Craven	744	73.4%	148	14.6%	121	11.9%	1,013	134.7	59.0
Pamlico	70	76.1%	15	16.3%	7	7.6%	92	106.5	56.0
Pitt	688	80.6%	91	10.7%	75	8.8%	854	110.4	54.0
District Totals	1,944	76.9%	336	13.3%	248	9.8%	2,528	123.4	59.0
District 4									
Duplin	322	80.1%	41	10.2%	39	9.7%	402	123.0	54.5
Jones	60	87.0%	2	2.9%	7	10.1%	69	147.6	38.0
Onslow	1,387	74.8%	177	9.5%	290	15.6%	1,854	170.1	69.5
Sampson	444	82.8%	51	9.5%	41	7.6%	536	102.7	43.5
District Totals	2,213	77.4%	271	9.5%	377	13.2%	2,861	150.3	62.0
District 5									
New Hanover	1,259	82.8%	139	9.1%	123	8.1%	1,521	114.9	53.0
Pender	183	77.2%	30	12.7%	24	10.1%	237	135.3	54.0
District Totals	1,442	82.0%	169	9.6%	147	8.4%	1,758	117.6	53.0
District 6									
Bertie	207	76.7%	39	14.4%	24	8.9%	270	105.3	37.5
Halifax	783	87.7%	94	10.5%	16	1.8%	893	72.6	46.0
Hertford	299	79.7%	55	14.7%	21	5.6%	375	103.1	57.0
Northampton	174	84.1%	23	11.1%	10	4.8%	207	100.6	52.0
District Totals	1,463	83.8%	211	12.1%	71	4.1%	1,745	87.5	48.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	509	81.6%	69	11.1%	46	7.4%	624	115.9	53.0
Nash	897	90.2%	62	6.2%	36	3.6%	995	75.3	47.0
Wilson	624	83.1%	55	7.3%	72	9.6%	751	156.1	50.0
District Totals	2,030	85.7%	186	7.8%	154	6.5%	2,370	111.6	49.0
District 8									
Greene	79	79.8%	9	9.1%	11	11.1%	99	105.9	28.0
Lenoir	522	77.7%	84	12.5%	66	9.8%	672	121.8	57.0
Wayne	1,152	80.4%	135	9.4%	146	10.2%	1,433	116.3	55.0
District Totals	1,753	79.5%	228	10.3%	223	10.1%	2,204	117.5	55.0

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	< 6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
District 9									
Franklin	279	83.5%	31	9.3%	24	7.2%	334	119.6	46.5
Granville	247	82.1%	36	12.0%	18	6.0%	301	131.7	47.0
Person	252	86.6%	24	8.2%	15	5.2%	291	86.3	42.0
Vance	460	84.2%	46	8.4%	40	7.3%	546	91.3	39.0
Warren	167	82.7%	25	12.4%	10	5.0%	202	89.1	45.5
District Totals	1,405	83.9%	162	9.7%	107	6.4%	1,674	97.6	43.0
District 10									
Wake	2,873	82.0%	178	5.1%	451	12.9%	3,502	134.5	47.0
District 11									
Harnett	555	79.5%	96	13.8%	47	6.7%	698	139.6	46.5
Johnston	757	81.8%	49	5.3%	119	12.9%	925	114.5	69.0
Lee	478	84.0%	74	13.0%	17	3.0%	569	81.6	43.0
District Totals	1,790	81.7%	219	10.0%	183	8.3%	2,192	106.1	48.0
District 12									
Cumberland	3,504	71.5%	516	10.5%	881	18.0%	4,901	179.6	71.0
Hoke	239	86.0%	25	9.0%	14	5.0%	278	63.4	5.0
District Totals	3,743	72.3%	541	10.4%	895	17.3%	5,179	174.7	69.0
District 13									
Bladen	247	89.8%	20	7.3%	8	2.9%	275	69.1	24.0
Brunswick	357	87.1%	28	6.8%	25	6.1%	410	103.2	48.0
Columbus	479	84.0%	47	8.2%	44	7.7%	570	109.5	44.5
District Totals	1,083	86.3%	95	7.6%	77	6.1%	1,255	97.0	42.0
District 14									
Durham	1,339	78.5%	128	7.5%	239	14.0%	1,706	137.3	57.0
District 15A									
Alamance	1,009	89.7%	73	6.5%	43	3.8%	1,125	66.1	50.0
District 15B									
Chatham	221	82.5%	18	6.7%	29	10.8%	268	120.1	43.0
Orange	433	75.6%	33	5.8%	107	18.7%	573	185.6	55.0
District Totals	654	77.8%	51	6.1%	136	16.2%	841	166.8	51.0
District 16									
Robeson	988	89.1%	84	7.6%	37	3.3%	1,109	67.1	36.0
Scotland	289	83.3%	30	8.6%	28	8.1%	347	106.6	53.0
District Totals	1,277	87.7%	114	7.8%	65	4.5%	1,456	76.1	39.0
District 17A									
Caswell	124	78.5%	20	12.7%	14	8.9%	158	121.1	60.5
Rockingham	704	84.9%	83	10.0%	42	5.1%	829	89.3	44.0
District Totals	828	83.9%	103	10.4%	56	5.7%	987	96.4	46.0
District 17B									
Stokes	124	86.1%	13	9.0%	7	4.9%	144	79.2	36.5
Surry	509	85.3%	38	6.4%	50	8.4%	597	109.9	49.0
District Totals	633	85.4%	51	6.9%	57	7.7%	741	103.9	47.0

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District 18									
Guilford	3,373	90.8%	186	5.0%	156	4.2%	3,715	82.6	48.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	889	92.1%	50	5.2%	26	2.7%	965	73.3	63.0
Rowan	854	88.9%	76	7.9%	31	3.2%	961	78.4	68.0
District Totals	1,743	90.5%	126	6.5%	57	2.9%	1,926	75.9	65.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	149	87.6%	14	8.2%	7	4.1%	170	69.2	51.0
Randolph	571	80.4%	74	10.4%	65	9.2%	710	123.1	56.5
District Totals	720	81.8%	88	10.0%	72	8.2%	880	116.5	56.0
District 20									
Anson	273	90.7%	19	6.3%	9	3.0%	301	65.7	38.0
Moore	412	75.3%	40	7.3%	95	17.4%	547	233.9	66.0
Richmond	402	89.5%	36	8.0%	11	2.4%	449	72.8	48.0
Stanly	324	90.5%	23	6.4%	11	3.1%	358	71.0	36.0
Union	541	82.2%	51	7.8%	66	10.0%	658	129.1	46.0
District Totals	1,952	84.4%	169	7.3%	192	8.3%	2,313	125.7	48.0
District 21									
Forsyth	2,325	77.8%	131	4.4%	531	17.8%	2,987	222.6	62.0
District 22									
Alexander	189	86.3%	19	8.7%	11	5.0%	219	68.8	42.0
Davidson	813	83.2%	85	8.7%	79	8.1%	977	105.4	49.0
Davie	170	79.4%	23	10.7%	21	9.8%	214	128.4	56.0
Iredell	778	81.6%	99	10.4%	77	8.1%	954	102.0	43.0
District Totals	1,950	82.5%	226	9.6%	188	8.0%	2,364	104.6	47.0
District 23									
Alleghany	76	90.5%	7	8.3%	1	1.2%	84	70.2	44.5
Ashe	162	91.0%	8	4.5%	8	4.5%	178	76.2	39.0
Wilkes	524	85.6%	63	10.3%	25	4.1%	612	94.9	43.0
Yadkin	173	82.0%	21	10.0%	17	8.1%	211	102.8	46.0
District Totals	935	86.2%	99	9.1%	51	4.7%	1,085	85.8	42.0
District 24									
Avery	93	73.2%	12	9.4%	22	17.3%	127	193.4	76.0
Madison	95	84.8%	12	10.7%	5	4.5%	112	102.8	55.0
Mitchell	98	81.0%	13	10.7%	10	8.3%	121	124.6	68.0
Watauga	224	73.4%	50	16.4%	31	10.2%	305	153.7	74.0
Yancey	84	75.0%	15	13.4%	13	11.6%	112	143.7	56.0
District Totals	594	76.4%	102	13.1%	81	10.4%	777	146.9	67.0
District 25									
Burke	570	80.5%	80	11.3%	58	8.2%	708	127.0	48.0
Caldwell	603	85.8%	61	8.7%	39	5.5%	703	95.0	43.0
Catawba	1,133	83.6%	90	6.6%	133	9.8%	1,356	117.6	52.0
District Totals	2,306	83.3%	231	8.3%	230	8.3%	2,767	114.3	49.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	4,029	89.3%	241	5.3%	241	5.3%	4,511	96.0	54.0

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<6	%	6-12	%	>12	%			
District 27A									
Gaston	1,992	88.1%	89	3.9%	180	8.0%	2,261	97.3	63.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	1,007	90.3%	100	9.0%	8	0.7%	1,115	71.2	45.0
Lincoln	433	89.7%	52	10.7%	3	0.6%	483	72.8	44.0
District Totals	1,440	89.8%	152	9.5%	11	0.7%	1,603	71.7	45.0
District 28									
Buncombe	1,586	73.5%	339	15.7%	234	10.8%	2,159	144.5	67.0
District 29									
Henderson	573	80.8%	60	8.5%	76	10.7%	709	128.4	51.0
McDowell	241	71.9%	51	15.2%	43	12.8%	335	157.4	66.0
Polk	90	85.7%	4	3.8%	11	10.5%	105	122.4	48.0
Rutherford	430	92.7%	13	2.8%	21	4.5%	464	82.5	40.0
Transylvania	166	64.1%	26	10.0%	67	25.9%	259	278.9	61.0
District Totals	1,500	80.1%	154	8.2%	218	11.6%	1,872	162.7	50.0
District 30									
Cherokee	128	78.5%	25	15.3%	10	6.1%	163	112.0	55.0
Clay	46	76.7%	10	16.7%	4	6.7%	60	168.5	73.5
Graham	65	71.4%	17	18.7%	9	9.9%	91	147.5	73.0
Haywood	362	72.0%	65	12.9%	76	15.1%	503	179.6	73.0
Jackson	150	71.1%	34	16.1%	27	12.8%	211	150.8	67.0
Macon	136	79.1%	16	9.3%	20	11.6%	172	135.1	54.5
Swain	60	60.6%	13	13.1%	26	26.3%	99	267.4	85.0
District Totals	947	72.9%	180	13.9%	172	13.2%	1,299	164.5	68.0
State Totals	56,437	82.4%	5,782	8.4%	6,288	9.2%	68,507	123.6	51.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES PENDING IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1988

	Ages of Pending Cases (Months)						Total Pending	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 1									
Camden	6	42.9%	4	28.6%	4	28.6%	14	436.6	290.5
Chowan	30	57.7%	11	21.2%	11	21.2%	52	440.8	219.5
Currituck	30	49.2%	21	34.4%	10	16.4%	61	305.4	293.0
Dare	109	67.7%	25	15.5%	27	16.8%	161	248.8	178.0
Gates	11	34.6%	0	0.0%	2	15.4%	13	266.6	77.0
Pasquotank	52	48.1%	39	36.1%	17	15.7%	108	327.3	279.5
Perquimans	13	43.3%	6	20.0%	11	36.7%	30	503.7	407.0
District Totals	251	57.2%	106	24.1%	82	18.7%	439	322.7	199.0
District 2									
Beaufort	72	55.0%	35	26.7%	24	18.3%	131	340.9	224.0
Hyde	5	45.5%	4	36.4%	2	18.2%	11	411.0	345.0
Martin	22	59.5%	2	5.4%	13	35.1%	37	440.3	241.0
Tyrrell	5	62.5%	2	25.0%	1	12.5%	8	278.4	133.5
Washington	21	84.0%	1	4.0%	3	12.0%	25	230.8	111.0
District Totals	125	59.0%	44	20.8%	43	20.3%	212	346.6	216.5
District 3									
Carteret	129	85.4%	16	10.6%	6	4.0%	151	152.5	121.0
Craven	216	84.7%	35	13.7%	4	1.6%	255	143.5	92.0
Pamlico	9	90.0%	1	10.0%	0	0.0%	10	83.6	47.0
Pitt	317	90.8%	28	8.0%	4	1.1%	349	128.0	94.0
District Totals	671	87.7%	80	10.5%	14	1.8%	765	137.4	99.0
District 4									
Duplin	61	60.4%	24	23.8%	16	15.8%	101	300.5	191.0
Jones	24	49.0%	10	20.4%	15	30.6%	49	559.0	387.0
Onslow	318	56.8%	138	24.6%	104	18.6%	560	356.5	220.0
Sampson	106	76.8%	14	10.1%	18	13.0%	138	223.4	100.0
District Totals	509	60.0%	186	21.9%	153	18.0%	848	339.9	198.0
District 5									
New Hanover	659	61.0%	269	24.9%	152	14.1%	1,080	263.3	199.0
Pender	83	66.4%	34	27.2%	8	6.4%	125	274.1	190.0
District Totals	742	61.6%	303	25.1%	160	13.3%	1,205	264.4	199.0
District 6									
Bertie	28	75.7%	7	18.9%	2	5.4%	37	198.6	135.0
Halifax	71	82.6%	12	14.0%	3	3.5%	86	146.3	79.0
Hertford	52	89.7%	6	10.3%	0	0.0%	58	124.3	79.0
Northampton	33	82.5%	4	10.0%	3	7.5%	40	176.7	112.0
District Totals	184	83.3%	29	13.1%	8	3.6%	221	154.8	84.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	126	78.8%	20	12.5%	14	8.8%	160	206.3	92.0
Nash	214	84.6%	26	10.3%	13	5.1%	253	160.7	107.0
Wilson	160	76.6%	34	16.3%	15	7.2%	209	210.7	106.0
District Totals	500	80.4%	80	12.9%	42	6.8%	622	189.2	102.0
District 8									
Greene	31	79.5%	6	15.4%	2	5.1%	39	165.8	118.0
Lenoir	171	73.1%	53	22.6%	10	4.3%	234	207.9	169.0
Wayne	317	59.7%	189	35.6%	25	4.7%	531	232.6	209.0
District Totals	519	64.6%	248	30.8%	37	4.6%	804	222.2	184.5

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District 9									
Franklin	48	65.8%	10	13.7%	15	20.5%	73	366.9	140.0
Granville	69	89.6%	6	7.8%	2	2.6%	77	116.3	73.0
Person	53	84.1%	6	9.5%	4	6.3%	63	208.9	97.0
Vance	108	81.2%	14	10.5%	11	3.3%	133	196.4	125.0
Warren	36	65.5%	13	23.6%	6	10.9%	55	227.6	141.0
District Totals	314	78.3%	49	12.2%	38	9.5%	401	218.3	108.0
District 10									
Wake	2,441	56.5%	1,051	24.3%	829	19.2%	4,321	321.8	219.0
District 11									
Harnett	216	76.9%	60	21.4%	5	1.8%	281	171.7	147.0
Johnston	284	66.5%	129	30.2%	14	3.3%	427	208.3	169.0
Lee	240	89.9%	20	7.5%	7	2.6%	267	134.8	100.0
District Totals	740	75.9%	209	21.4%	26	2.7%	975	177.6	128.0
District 12									
Cumberland	508	61.2%	209	25.2%	113	13.6%	830	253.8	169.5
Hoke	23	46.0%	7	14.0%	20	40.0%	50	739.3	382.0
District Totals	531	60.3%	216	24.5%	133	15.1%	880	281.4	170.0
District 13									
Bladen	97	60.6%	21	13.1%	42	26.3%	160	300.0	174.0
Brunswick	212	34.3%	95	15.4%	311	50.3%	618	671.7	559.5
Columbus	167	34.2%	99	20.3%	222	45.5%	488	555.7	481.0
District Totals	476	37.6%	215	17.0%	575	45.4%	1,266	530.0	455.0
District 14									
Durham	697	54.4%	242	18.9%	343	26.8%	1,282	344.7	216.0
District 15A									
Alamance	321	70.2%	118	25.8%	18	3.9%	457	200.0	122.0
District 15B									
Chatham	47	73.4%	17	26.6%	0	0.0%	64	160.8	114.0
Orange	166	37.0%	150	33.4%	133	29.6%	449	425.5	353.0
District Totals	213	41.5%	167	32.6%	133	25.9%	513	392.4	317.0
District 16									
Robeson	279	70.1%	86	21.6%	33	8.3%	398	233.6	169.0
Scotland	62	60.8%	24	23.5%	16	15.7%	102	277.9	172.0
District Totals	341	68.2%	110	22.0%	49	9.8%	500	242.6	169.0
District 17A									
Caswell	33	91.7%	1	2.8%	2	5.6%	36	156.1	104.0
Rockingham	197	78.5%	53	21.1%	1	0.4%	251	151.8	141.0
District Totals	230	80.1%	54	18.8%	3	1.0%	287	152.3	134.0
District 17B									
Stokes	48	75.0%	15	23.4%	1	1.6%	64	193.8	177.0
Surry	75	76.5%	13	13.3%	10	10.2%	98	180.3	70.5
District Totals	123	75.9%	28	17.3%	11	6.8%	162	185.6	130.5

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District 18									
Guilford	1,981	47.9%	858	20.8%	1,293	31.3%	4,132	411.3	295.5
District 19A									
Cabarrus	215	63.0%	113	33.1%	13	3.8%	341	228.0	183.0
Rowan	232	84.1%	33	12.0%	11	4.0%	276	156.3	98.5
District Totals	447	72.4%	146	23.7%	24	3.9%	617	195.9	136.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	66	39.8%	22	13.3%	78	47.0%	165	621.3	512.0
Randolph	145	87.3%	15	9.0%	6	3.6%	166	137.8	97.5
District Totals	211	63.6%	37	11.1%	84	25.3%	332	379.6	163.5
District 20									
Anson	56	47.5%	20	16.9%	42	35.6%	118	466.5	310.0
Moore	127	26.1%	85	17.5%	275	56.5%	487	690.5	650.0
Richmond	141	63.2%	57	25.6%	25	11.2%	223	278.7	211.0
Stanly	75	21.7%	53	15.4%	217	62.9%	345	1,064.9	869.0
Union	184	48.7%	131	34.7%	63	16.7%	378	307.7	274.5
District Totals	583	37.6%	346	22.3%	622	40.1%	1,551	604.2	399.0
District 21									
Forsyth	1,067	58.1%	503	27.4%	267	14.5%	1,837	281.1	196.0
District 22									
Alexander	32	88.9%	4	11.1%	0	0.0%	36	104.3	57.0
Davidson	197	59.7%	114	34.5%	19	5.8%	330	241.5	190.5
Davie	74	79.6%	14	15.1%	5	5.4%	93	186.3	119.0
Iredell	246	77.6%	65	20.5%	6	1.9%	317	152.8	105.0
District Totals	549	70.7%	197	25.4%	30	3.9%	776	192.3	132.0
District 23									
Alleghany	19	67.9%	7	25.0%	2	7.1%	28	216.3	135.0
Ashe	29	69.0%	11	26.2%	2	4.8%	42	174.6	77.0
Wilkes	134	74.4%	37	20.6%	9	5.0%	180	176.2	97.0
Yadkin	49	58.3%	15	17.9%	20	23.8%	84	565.4	196.0
District Totals	231	69.2%	70	21.0%	33	9.9%	334	277.2	122.0
District 24									
Avery	73	77.7%	15	16.0%	6	6.4%	94	196.8	99.0
Madison	14	66.7%	6	28.6%	1	4.8%	21	225.8	206.0
Mitchell	23	76.7%	6	20.0%	1	3.3%	30	182.9	141.0
Watauga	100	92.6%	8	7.4%	0	0.0%	108	92.4	55.5
Yancey	9	45.0%	8	40.0%	3	15.0%	20	300.3	304.5
District Totals	219	80.2%	43	15.8%	11	4.0%	273	163.8	84.0
District 25									
Burke	110	79.1%	26	18.7%	3	2.2%	139	159.7	107.0
Caldwell	171	73.1%	50	21.4%	13	5.6%	234	189.2	139.0
Catawba	262	84.5%	36	11.6%	12	3.9%	310	140.9	85.0
District Totals	543	79.5%	112	16.4%	28	4.1%	683	161.3	107.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	4,102	73.4%	1,054	18.9%	429	7.7%	5,585	205.6	148.0

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District 27A									
Gaston	308	82.6%	51	13.7%	14	3.8%	373	174.5	133.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	102	98.1%	2	1.9%	0	0.0%	104	94.7	87.0
Lincoln	55	98.2%	1	1.8%	0	0.0%	56	60.6	52.0
District Totals	157	98.1%	3	1.9%	0	0.0%	160	82.8	66.0
District 28									
Buncombe	555	86.4%	68	10.6%	19	3.0%	642	144.8	99.0
District 29									
Henderson	134	64.1%	42	20.1%	33	15.8%	209	274.0	155.0
McDowell	50	74.6%	12	17.9%	5	7.5%	67	201.6	115.0
Polk	12	75.0%	2	12.5%	2	12.5%	16	263.3	173.5
Rutherford	55	61.8%	19	21.3%	15	16.9%	89	306.6	160.0
Transylvania	37	46.8%	23	29.1%	19	24.1%	79	354.2	303.0
District Totals	288	62.6%	98	21.3%	74	16.1%	460	283.2	163.0
District 30									
Cherokee	17	81.0%	2	9.5%	2	9.5%	21	179.8	83.0
Clay	14	87.5%	1	6.3%	1	6.3%	16	156.1	70.5
Graham	7	41.2%	5	29.4%	5	29.4%	17	397.9	286.0
Haywood	62	48.4%	43	33.6%	23	18.0%	128	332.5	275.0
Jackson	54	88.5%	7	11.5%	0	0.0%	61	135.6	127.0
Macon	45	50.6%	29	32.6%	15	16.9%	89	338.1	266.0
Swain	8	66.7%	2	16.7%	2	16.7%	12	261.8	159.0
District Totals	207	60.2%	89	25.9%	43	14.0%	344	282.3	182.0
State Totals	21,376	62.4%	7,210	21.0%	5,673	16.6%	34,259	296.7	132.0

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	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 1									
Camden	6	60.0%	3	30.0%	1	10.0%	10	234.3	170.5
Chowan	37	57.8%	18	28.1%	9	14.1%	64	296.9	196.5
Currituck	42	59.2%	8	11.3%	21	29.6%	71	301.8	206.0
Dare	117	66.1%	23	13.0%	37	20.9%	177	258.4	126.0
Gates	15	78.9%	3	15.8%	1	5.3%	19	181.1	141.0
Pasquotank	108	78.3%	14	10.1%	16	11.6%	138	196.1	100.0
Perquimans	30	66.7%	3	6.7%	12	26.7%	45	366.6	147.0
District Totals	355	67.7%	72	13.7%	97	18.5%	524	258.6	136.5
District 2									
Beaufort	109	68.1%	21	13.1%	30	18.8%	160	258.0	123.5
Hyde	19	70.4%	3	11.1%	5	18.5%	27	320.9	148.0
Martin	52	80.0%	5	7.7%	8	12.3%	65	276.7	98.0
Tyrrell	4	25.0%	7	43.8%	5	31.3%	16	495.7	453.0
Washington	39	83.0%	4	8.5%	4	8.5%	47	182.0	128.0
District Totals	223	70.8%	40	12.7%	52	16.5%	315	268.0	128.0
District 3									
Carteret	269	81.0%	56	16.9%	7	2.1%	332	164.1	114.0
Craven	566	86.3%	74	11.3%	16	2.4%	656	134.7	82.0
Pamlico	27	87.1%	3	9.7%	1	3.2%	31	129.0	92.0
Pitt	702	91.3%	60	7.8%	7	0.9%	769	121.9	85.0
District Totals	1,564	87.5%	193	10.8%	31	1.7%	1,788	134.6	90.0
District 4									
Duplin	89	65.0%	31	22.6%	17	12.4%	137	244.4	99.0
Jones	37	78.7%	7	14.9%	3	6.4%	47	171.7	93.0
Onslow	639	65.7%	88	9.0%	246	25.3%	973	330.4	146.0
Sampson	268	85.4%	33	10.5%	13	4.1%	314	139.4	59.0
District Totals	1,033	70.2%	159	10.8%	279	19.0%	1,471	276.6	112.0
District 5									
New Hanover	1,253	76.4%	211	12.9%	175	10.7%	1,639	210.6	104.0
Pender	156	80.4%	23	11.9%	15	7.7%	194	205.9	104.5
District Totals	1,409	76.9%	234	12.8%	190	10.4%	1,833	210.1	104.0
District 6									
Bertie	70	83.3%	11	13.1%	3	3.6%	84	153.9	90.0
Halifax	156	83.4%	27	14.4%	4	2.1%	187	145.2	97.0
Hertford	163	90.1%	14	7.7%	4	2.2%	181	144.6	114.0
Northampton	56	93.3%	4	6.7%	0	0.0%	60	112.6	75.0
District Totals	445	86.9%	56	10.9%	11	2.1%	512	142.6	96.0
District 7									
Edgecombe	167	76.3%	31	14.2%	21	9.6%	219	234.1	106.0
Nash	510	78.8%	104	16.1%	33	5.1%	647	178.6	104.0
Wilson	348	84.5%	46	11.2%	18	4.4%	412	171.1	84.0
District Totals	1,025	80.2%	181	14.2%	72	5.6%	1,278	185.7	94.0
District 8									
Greene	62	88.6%	7	10.0%	1	1.4%	70	107.2	61.5
Lenoir	308	72.0%	102	23.8%	18	4.2%	428	177.9	87.5
Wayne	439	61.9%	230	32.4%	40	5.6%	709	220.2	120.0
District Totals	809	67.0%	339	28.1%	59	4.9%	1,207	198.6	103.0

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District 9									
Franklin	84	70.6%	27	22.7%	8	6.7%	119	214.0	147.0
Granville	89	82.4%	16	14.8%	3	2.8%	108	154.3	87.5
Person	90	68.2%	31	23.5%	11	8.3%	132	237.0	208.0
Vance	138	73.0%	41	21.7%	10	5.3%	189	193.6	119.0
Warren	44	75.9%	10	17.2%	4	6.9%	58	202.7	160.0
District Totals	445	73.4%	125	20.6%	36	5.9%	606	200.9	143.0
District 10									
Wake	4,420	76.2%	346	14.6%	537	9.3%	5,303	183.1	100.0
District 11									
Harnett	432	86.9%	58	11.7%	7	1.4%	497	132.6	84.0
Johnston	373	71.5%	120	23.0%	29	5.6%	522	190.2	103.0
Lee	392	84.7%	65	14.0%	6	1.3%	463	133.7	70.0
District Totals	1,197	80.8%	243	16.4%	42	2.8%	1,482	153.3	84.0
District 12									
Cumberland	987	71.1%	172	12.4%	229	16.5%	1,388	235.0	111.5
Hoke	96	93.2%	5	4.9%	2	1.9%	103	123.8	68.0
District Totals	1,083	72.6%	177	11.9%	231	15.5%	1,491	227.3	104.0
District 13									
Bladen	156	69.3%	24	10.7%	45	20.0%	225	299.1	81.0
Brunswick	341	73.0%	65	13.9%	61	13.1%	467	252.5	101.0
Columbus	207	62.9%	49	14.9%	73	22.2%	329	313.4	132.0
District Totals	704	69.0%	138	13.5%	179	17.5%	1,021	282.4	105.0
District 14									
Durham	1,297	71.3%	218	12.0%	304	16.7%	1,819	284.1	116.0
District 15A									
Alamance	454	77.1%	103	17.5%	32	5.4%	589	173.2	85.0
District 15B									
Chatham	70	66.7%	28	26.7%	7	6.7%	105	214.1	125.0
Orange	370	80.8%	59	12.9%	29	6.3%	458	178.1	101.5
District Totals	440	78.2%	87	15.5%	36	6.4%	563	184.8	107.0
District 16									
Robeson	483	66.9%	170	23.5%	69	9.6%	722	224.5	136.0
Scotland	150	82.4%	23	12.6%	9	4.9%	182	142.1	69.0
District Totals	633	70.0%	193	21.3%	78	8.6%	904	208.0	110.0
District 17A									
Caswell	47	79.7%	4	6.8%	8	13.6%	59	199.7	94.0
Rockingham	347	88.1%	44	11.2%	3	0.8%	394	131.8	77.0
District Totals	394	87.0%	48	10.6%	11	2.4%	453	140.6	78.0
District 17B									
Stokes	117	79.1%	25	16.9%	6	4.1%	148	153.0	69.5
Surry	267	82.4%	43	13.3%	14	4.3%	324	152.9	93.0
District Totals	384	81.4%	68	14.4%	20	4.2%	472	152.9	85.0

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District 18									
Guilford	3,129	80.0%	378	9.7%	404	10.3%	3,911	200.9	84.0
District 19A									
Cabarrus	302	62.9%	133	27.7%	45	9.4%	480	235.8	190.5
Rowan	450	76.3%	126	21.4%	14	2.4%	590	172.6	121.0
District Totals	752	70.3%	259	24.2%	59	5.5%	1,070	200.9	135.0
District 19B									
Montgomery	211	88.3%	23	9.6%	5	2.1%	239	123.7	75.0
Randolph	254	77.9%	59	18.1%	13	4.0%	326	156.4	75.5
District Totals	465	82.3%	82	14.5%	18	3.2%	565	142.5	75.0
District 20									
Anson	41	65.1%	14	22.2%	8	12.7%	63	237.2	79.0
Moore	192	63.4%	32	10.6%	79	26.1%	303	413.4	164.0
Richmond	99	70.2%	25	17.7%	17	12.1%	141	233.8	103.0
Stanly	154	88.5%	12	6.9%	8	4.6%	174	138.4	71.5
Union	214	51.2%	55	13.2%	149	35.6%	418	392.9	264.0
District Totals	700	63.7%	138	12.6%	261	23.7%	1,099	328.9	134.0
District 21									
Forsyth	1,748	66.2%	236	8.9%	656	24.8%	2,640	329.3	117.0
District 22									
Alexander	98	90.7%	9	8.3%	1	0.9%	108	111.3	67.0
Davidson	515	83.5%	64	10.4%	38	6.2%	617	154.6	75.0
Davie	122	78.7%	22	14.2%	11	7.1%	155	174.4	84.0
Iredell	403	70.8%	146	25.7%	20	3.5%	569	193.7	118.0
District Totals	1,138	78.5%	241	16.6%	70	4.8%	1,449	168.9	84.0
District 23									
Alleghany	41	85.4%	4	8.3%	3	6.3%	48	165.1	108.5
Ashe	53	70.7%	14	18.7%	8	10.7%	75	210.0	126.0
Wilkes	510	81.9%	91	14.6%	22	3.5%	623	171.7	115.0
Yadkin	122	81.9%	19	12.8%	8	5.4%	149	153.6	69.0
District Totals	726	81.1%	128	14.3%	41	4.6%	895	171.6	106.0
District 24									
Avery	132	71.0%	37	19.9%	17	9.1%	186	256.3	179.0
Madison	19	50.0%	8	21.1%	11	28.9%	38	366.2	264.5
Mitchell	74	49.0%	11	7.3%	66	43.7%	151	318.2	293.0
Watauga	288	84.7%	39	11.5%	13	3.8%	340	154.7	102.5
Yancey	31	88.6%	3	8.6%	1	2.9%	35	146.7	104.0
District Totals	544	72.5%	98	13.1%	108	14.4%	750	223.2	127.0
District 25									
Burke	283	78.0%	73	20.1%	7	1.9%	363	174.3	145.0
Caldwell	306	85.2%	41	11.4%	12	3.3%	359	150.7	76.0
Catawba	610	75.8%	144	17.9%	51	6.3%	805	192.7	131.0
District Totals	1,199	78.5%	258	16.9%	70	4.6%	1,527	178.4	113.0
District 26									
Mecklenburg	4,902	65.7%	1,942	26.0%	617	8.3%	7,461	227.8	152.0

AGES OF GENERAL CIVIL AND MAGISTRATE APPEAL/TRANSFER CASES DISPOSED IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Months)						Total Disposed	Mean Age (Days)	Median Age (Days)
	<9	%	9-18	%	>18	%			
District 27A									
Gaston	520	77.8%	127	19.0%	21	3.1%	668	174.8	113.0
District 27B									
Cleveland	306	95.3%	15	4.7%	0	0.0%	321	107.2	87.0
Lincoln	154	92.2%	13	7.8%	0	0.0%	167	117.3	95.0
District Totals	460	94.3%	28	5.7%	0	0.0%	488	110.6	89.0
District 28									
Buncombe	1,246	82.3%	240	15.9%	28	1.8%	1,514	165.7	134.0
District 29									
Henderson	220	65.7%	29	8.7%	86	25.7%	335	302.3	141.0
McDowell	107	81.1%	21	15.9%	4	3.0%	132	150.5	89.0
Polk	28	63.6%	6	13.6%	10	22.7%	44	346.5	211.5
Rutherford	98	71.5%	28	20.4%	11	8.0%	137	209.1	123.0
Transylvania	118	61.5%	22	11.5%	52	27.1%	192	364.9	151.0
District Totals	571	68.0%	106	12.6%	163	19.4%	840	279.8	133.5
District 30									
Cherokee	50	83.3%	10	16.7%	0	0.0%	60	119.9	50.0
Clay	14	73.7%	2	10.5%	3	15.8%	19	208.7	92.0
Graham	25	80.6%	2	6.5%	4	12.9%	31	209.4	141.0
Haywood	121	65.8%	52	28.3%	11	6.0%	184	236.6	180.0
Jackson	113	79.0%	21	14.7%	9	6.3%	143	197.3	114.0
Macon	88	83.8%	14	13.3%	3	2.9%	105	153.1	91.0
Swain	22	46.8%	12	25.5%	13	27.7%	47	424.3	320.0
District Totals	433	73.5%	113	19.2%	43	7.3%	589	212.9	128.0
State Totals	36,847	74.3%	7,894	15.9%	4,856	9.8%	49,597	212.7	110.0

CIVIL MAGISTRATE FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Filings	Dispositions
District 1		
Camden	92	94
Chowan	778	628
Currituck	292	295
Dare	506	515
Gates	247	237
Pasquotank	1,035	1,011
Perquimans	367	314
District Totals	3,317	3,094
District 2		
Beaufort	1,527	1,549
Hyde	131	130
Martin	962	1,004
Tyrrell	126	141
Washington	519	484
District Totals	3,265	3,308
District 3		
Carteret	1,631	1,636
Craven	2,692	2,604
Pamlico	324	316
Pitt	3,995	3,946
District Totals	8,642	8,502
District 4		
Duplin	2,996	2,875
Jones	201	181
Onslow	5,463	6,070
Sampson	1,406	1,247
District Totals	10,066	10,373
District 5		
New Hanover	6,148	5,825
Pender	749	647
District Totals	6,897	6,472
District 6		
Bertie	940	978
Halifax	2,162	2,174
Hertford	789	852
Northampton	830	836
District Totals	4,721	4,840
District 7		
Edgecombe	7,024	7,122
Nash	6,085	6,083
Wilson	4,593	4,325
District Totals	17,702	17,530
District 8		
Greene	400	373
Lenoir	2,509	2,557
Wayne	4,242	4,256
District Totals	7,151	7,186

	Filings	Dispositions
District 9		
Franklin	1,019	1,235
Granville	1,451	1,451
Person	885	927
Vance	3,443	3,568
Warren	1,051	1,071
District Totals	7,849	8,252
District 10		
Wake	17,861	16,984
District 11		
Harnett	1,723	1,665
Johnston	2,960	2,786
Lee	1,402	1,393
District Totals	6,085	5,844
District 12		
Cumberland	12,623	12,529
Hoke	726	672
District Totals	13,349	13,201
District 13		
Bladen	1,871	1,821
Brunswick	1,289	1,022
Columbus	1,547	1,525
District Totals	4,707	4,368
District 14		
Durham	18,464	18,593
District 15A		
Alamance	3,231	3,315
District 15B		
Chatham	851	852
Orange	1,807	1,725
District Totals	2,658	2,577
District 16		
Robeson	4,201	4,277
Scotland	1,551	1,532
District Totals	5,752	5,809
District 17A		
Caswell	748	776
Rockingham	3,009	2,980
District Totals	3,757	3,756
District 17B		
Stokes	792	748
Surry	1,822	1,786
District Totals	2,614	2,534

CIVIL MAGISTRATE FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	Filings	Dispositions
District 18		
Guilford	19,668	18,355
District 19A		
Cabarrus	2,412	2,093
Rowan	2,983	2,975
District Totals	5,395	5,068
District 19B		
Montgomery	907	825
Randolph	1,968	1,939
District Totals	2,875	2,764
District 20		
Anson	792	774
Moore	1,429	1,409
Richmond	1,464	1,333
Stanly	964	971
Union	2,898	2,975
District Totals	7,547	7,462
District 21		
Forsyth	16,507	16,067
District 22		
Alexander	649	652
Davidson	2,977	2,899
Davie	630	573
Iredell	3,468	3,327
District Totals	7,724	7,451
District 23		
Alleghany	235	221
Ashe	300	257
Wilkes	1,856	1,903
Yadkin	443	433
District Totals	2,834	2,814
District 24		
Avery	286	316
Madison	158	150
Mitchell	241	222
Watauga	708	715
Yancey	235	223
District Totals	1,628	1,626
District 25		
Burke	1,937	1,958
Caldwell	1,937	1,971
Catawba	2,847	2,733
District Totals	6,721	6,662
District 26		
Mecklenburg	36,617	30,195
District 27A		
Gaston	5,207	4,790
District 27B		
Cleveland	3,446	3,278
Lincoln	1,217	1,295
District Totals	4,663	4,573
District 28		
Buncombe	5,170	5,020
District 29		
Henderson	1,238	1,188
McDowell	669	650
Polk	183	191
Rutherford	1,770	2,152
Transylvania	503	542
District Totals	4,363	4,723
District 30		
Cherokee	349	338
Clay	76	67
Graham	169	178
Haywood	820	864
Jackson	336	287
Macon	483	462
Swain	96	51
District Totals	2,329	2,247
State Totals	277,336	266,355

MATTERS ALLEGED IN JUVENILE PETITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1987 – June 30, 1988

	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					
	Delinquent				Undisciplined								
	Capital	Other Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependent	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children before Court for First Time
District 1													
Camden	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	7	7	0	0	17	10
Chowan	0	2	25	27	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	31	15
Currituck	0	0	16	16	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	23	23
Dare	0	4	31	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	32
Gates	0	2	8	10	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	14	11
Pasquotank	0	13	75	88	0	3	3	9	10	10	4	124	58
Perquimans	0	7	8	15	0	0	0	1	3	2	3	24	12
District Totals	0	29	165	194	0	3	3	18	34	12	7	268	161
District 2													
Beaufort	0	92	93	185	0	0	0	13	9	3	0	210	80
Hyde	0	1	6	7	0	0	0	2	5	4	0	18	8
Martin	0	16	20	36	0	2	2	20	24	3	0	85	50
Tyrrell	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Washington	0	64	38	102	0	0	0	0	10	0	6	118	35
District Totals	0	174	159	333	0	2	2	35	48	10	6	434	176
District 3													
Carteret	0	55	99	154	1	11	12	1	10	3	0	180	59
Craven	0	57	133	190	0	13	13	7	10	5	27	252	149
Pamlico	0	6	28	34	0	1	1	0	2	2	0	39	19
Pitt	0	117	160	277	3	5	8	28	17	3	8	341	145
District Totals	0	235	420	655	4	30	34	36	39	13	35	812	372
District 4													
Duplin	0	12	44	56	1	1	2	1	7	2	5	73	42
Jones	0	0	8	8	1	0	1	4	1	1	1	16	11
Onslow	0	130	261	391	1	5	6	11	36	24	3	471	183
Sampson	0	30	40	70	1	1	2	1	1	5	7	86	37
District Totals	0	172	353	525	4	7	11	17	45	32	16	646	273
District 5													
New Hanover	0	180	301	431	0	53	53	8	28	6	16	592	249
Pender	0	18	25	43	0	11	11	0	2	1	1	58	32
District Totals	0	193	326	524	0	64	64	8	30	7	17	650	281
District 6													
Bertie	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	4
Halifax	0	76	87	163	0	13	13	6	2	5	0	189	77
Hertford	0	16	66	82	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	91	46
Northampton	0	9	11	20	0	6	6	1	11	0	0	38	31
District Totals	0	105	164	269	0	19	19	7	22	5	1	323	158
District 7													
Edgecombe	0	72	195	267	2	2	4	1	38	15	4	329	116
Nash	0	90	211	301	0	7	7	17	31	7	5	368	138
Wilson	0	79	165	244	3	3	6	9	21	16	17	313	120
District Totals	0	241	571	812	5	12	17	27	90	38	26	1,010	374
District 8													
Greene	3	1	4	8	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	10	10
Lenoir	0	46	55	101	1	12	13	17	19	8	8	166	90
Wayne	0	63	84	147	0	28	28	30	53	20	40	318	145
District Totals	3	110	143	256	1	40	41	47	74	28	48	494	245

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					
	Delinquent				Undisciplined								
	Capital	Other Felony	Misde-meanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependent	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children before Court for First Time
District 9													
Franklin	0	14	34	48	0	18	18	5	12	10	1	94	60
Granville	0	22	56	78	0	3	3	2	2	3	3	91	58
Person	0	8	14	22	5	2	7	3	5	6	0	43	40
Vance	0	14	42	56	2	13	15	2	2	4	2	81	62
Warren	0	5	17	22	0	7	7	1	0	1	0	31	21
District Totals	0	63	163	226	7	43	50	13	21	24	6	340	241
District 10													
Wake	0	279	500	779	9	57	66	35	47	21	33	981	628
District 11													
Harnett	0	26	115	141	2	3	5	6	8	3	8	171	65
Johnston	0	66	78	144	1	2	3	10	17	2	11	187	92
Lee	0	42	75	117	1	4	5	12	19	11	3	167	78
District Totals	0	134	268	402	4	9	13	28	44	16	22	525	235
District 12													
Cumberland	0	300	586	886	3	351	354	132	127	55	16	1,570	466
Hoke	0	12	50	62	7	2	9	13	11	2	2	99	54
District Totals	0	312	636	948	10	353	363	145	138	57	18	1,669	520
District 13													
Bladen	0	15	72	87	0	2	2	5	15	9	0	118	63
Brunswick	0	108	115	223	6	14	20	3	8	3	7	264	92
Columbus	0	6	27	33	1	3	4	8	6	1	0	52	33
District Totals	0	129	214	343	7	19	26	16	29	13	7	434	168
District 14													
Durham	0	166	179	345	12	71	83	41	63	13	23	565	231
District 15A													
Alamance	0	57	167	224	4	34	38	21	25	10	12	330	136
District 15B													
Chatham	0	1	12	13	1	2	3	7	5	5	9	42	35
Orange	0	61	71	132	5	12	17	13	21	6	12	201	189
District Totals	0	62	83	145	6	14	20	20	26	11	21	243	224
District 16													
Robeson	0	189	265	454	12	12	24	5	65	42	21	611	226
Scotland	0	77	178	255	1	0	1	1	31	7	3	298	115
District Totals	0	266	443	709	13	12	25	6	96	49	24	909	341
District 17A													
Caswell	0	25	18	43	0	0	0	3	5	2	0	53	28
Rockingham	0	128	166	294	8	25	33	14	20	13	2	376	113
District Totals	0	153	184	337	8	25	33	17	25	15	2	429	141
District 17B													
Stokes	0	54	72	126	3	11	14	12	6	1	7	166	52
Surry	0	86	118	204	27	7	34	8	23	1	6	276	108
District Totals	0	140	190	330	30	18	48	20	29	2	13	442	160

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					
	Delinquent				Undisciplined								
	Capital	Other Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependent	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children before Court for First Time
District 18													
Guilford	0	225	676	901	47	200	247	57	139	56	78	1,478	529
District 19A													
Cabarrus	0	47	128	175	5	18	23	6	23	8	11	246	129
Rowan	0	129	192	321	38	80	118	78	88	33	11	649	160
District Totals	0	176	320	496	43	98	141	84	111	41	22	895	289
District 19B													
Montgomery	0	14	9	23	1	3	4	3	8	3	0	43	34
Randolph	0	43	138	181	20	105	125	50	64	19	15	455	218
District Totals	0	57	147	204	21	113	134	53	72	22	15	500	252
District 20													
Anson	0	0	18	18	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	21	20
Moore	0	21	94	115	0	9	9	3	49	3	13	192	73
Richmond	0	65	56	121	0	7	7	16	16	9	5	174	68
Stanly	1	23	86	110	17	18	35	8	12	9	7	181	96
Union	0	82	107	189	1	7	8	48	81	32	7	365	165
District Totals	1	191	361	553	19	42	61	75	158	53	32	933	422
District 21													
Forsyth	0	218	384	602	15	45	60	22	58	18	19	779	415
District 22													
Alexander	0	8	22	30	2	11	13	5	3	3	2	56	54
Davidson	0	48	138	186	1	60	61	23	31	7	17	325	188
Davie	0	8	26	34	4	9	13	5	6	2	5	65	39
Iredell	0	144	104	248	8	82	90	13	37	8	21	417	173
District Totals	0	208	290	498	15	162	177	46	77	20	45	863	454
District 23													
Alleghany	0	4	27	31	1	4	5	0	1	1	1	39	16
Ashe	0	6	43	49	2	4	6	2	6	3	1	67	24
Wilkes	0	35	148	183	66	52	118	71	105	54	20	551	138
Yadkin	0	25	124	149	9	25	34	24	17	19	2	245	49
District Totals	0	70	342	412	78	85	163	97	129	77	24	902	227
District 24													
Avery	0	51	9	60	14	3	17	2	7	1	1	88	38
Madison	0	6	3	9	14	10	24	10	16	11	1	71	42
Mitchell	0	1	2	3	0	9	9	2	8	1	0	23	23
Watauga	0	2	31	33	12	14	26	2	1	0	7	69	36
Yancey	0	0	10	10	10	5	15	3	1	0	0	29	19
District Totals	0	60	55	115	50	41	91	19	33	13	9	280	158
District 25													
Burke	0	49	67	116	7	68	75	28	57	36	9	321	128
Caldwell	0	109	10	119	43	108	151	41	32	9	14	366	112
Catawba	0	79	111	190	14	34	48	24	27	21	7	317	200
District Totals	0	237	188	425	64	210	274	93	116	66	30	1,004	440
District 26													
Mecklenburg	0	478	893	1,371	15	308	323	27	105	32	60	1,918	711

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	OFFENSES							CONDITIONS					
	Delinquent				Undisciplined								
	Capital	Other Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Truancy	Other	Total	Dependent	Neglected	Abused	Parental Rights Petitions	Grand Total	Children before Court for First Time
District 27A													
Gaston	0	261	358	619	4	201	205	38	42	9	37	950	310
District 27B													
Cleveland	0	60	163	223	5	12	17	4	37	9	3	293	129
Lincoln	0	35	62	97	11	9	20	10	16	7	2	152	70
District Totals	0	95	225	320	16	21	37	14	53	16	5	445	199
District 28													
Buncombe	1	157	193	351	32	224	256	21	17	10	0	655	282
District 29													
Henderson	0	12	42	54	47	9	56	5	5	5	13	138	86
McDowell	0	5	29	34	19	14	33	17	16	1	5	106	69
Polk	0	5	9	14	1	1	2	3	4	0	1	24	16
Rutherford	0	49	57	106	16	43	59	50	74	8	7	304	70
Transylvania	0	8	19	27	1	5	6	15	16	4	6	74	40
District Totals	0	79	156	235	84	72	156	90	115	18	32	646	281
District 30													
Cherokee	0	6	16	22	4	8	12	4	4	0	8	50	42
Clay	0	2	3	5	0	2	2	1	3	2	3	16	15
Graham	0	14	41	55	2	4	6	0	0	0	0	61	61
Haywood	0	10	21	31	5	36	41	18	26	4	0	120	75
Jackson	0	6	15	21	4	3	7	6	7	5	4	50	46
Macon	0	9	14	23	2	5	7	10	8	2	4	54	48
Swain	0	3	1	4	0	1	1	7	5	1	3	21	21
District Totals	0	50	111	161	17	59	76	46	53	14	22	372	308
State Totals	5	5,587	10,025	15,617	644	2,709	3,353	1,340	2,180	841	767	24,104	10,142

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	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Abuse Hearings		Parental Rights		Total
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	Hearings
District 1													
Camden	2	0	0	0	5	2	5	2	0	0	0	0	16
Chowan	25	3	0	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	35
Currituck	1	13	0	0	1	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	21
Dare	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32
Gates	3	5	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	12
Pasquotank	63	20	0	2	4	3	6	2	8	2	3	0	112
Perquimans	9	8	0	0	1	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	23
District Totals	133	49	0	2	13	5	26	8	10	2	3	0	251
District 2													
Beaufort	111	28	0	0	7	1	10	0	3	0	0	0	160
Hyde	2	0	0	0	2	0	6	0	1	3	0	0	14
Martin	32	29	1	9	7	13	19	21	6	6	0	1	143
Tyrrell	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Washington	79	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	79
District Totals	225	59	1	9	16	14	35	21	10	9	0	1	399
District 3													
Carteret	247	63	12	2	8	4	51	20	24	6	0	0	437
Craven	218	43	6	4	2	7	6	3	2	2	21	2	316
Pamlico	14	8	0	0	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	28
Pitt	202	123	6	2	23	5	11	5	1	3	4	0	385
District Totals	681	237	24	8	33	18	70	28	29	11	25	2	1,166
District 4													
Duplin	26	6	2	1	0	0	34	10	2	0	0	2	83
Jones	6	0	2	0	1	1	4	0	2	0	0	0	16
Onslow	145	31	1	0	10	1	41	0	25	1	4	0	259
Sampson	62	6	1	1	1	0	1	0	5	0	6	0	83
District Totals	239	43	6	2	12	2	80	10	34	1	10	2	441
District 5													
New Hanover	441	40	52	1	8	0	28	0	6	0	16	0	592
Pender	40	3	11	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	58
District Totals	481	43	63	1	8	0	30	0	7	0	16	1	650
District 6													
Bertie	6	6	0	0	2	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	18
Halifax	104	63	2	8	8	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	189
Hertford	43	50	1	0	0	0	18	4	1	1	0	0	118
Northampton	15	3	0	5	0	0	9	7	0	0	0	0	39
District Totals	168	122	3	13	10	1	29	12	5	1	0	0	364

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	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	Hearings
District 7													
Edgecombe	157	60	0	1	8	0	28	2	13	1	10	0	280
Nash	134	114	0	3	2	0	14	0	7	0	3	0	277
Wilson	181	71	5	1	9	0	17	1	6	1	13	0	305
District Total	472	245	5	5	19	0	59	3	26	2	26	0	862
District 8													
Greene	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
Lenoir	89	28	19	7	9	4	22	5	4	2	4	4	197
Wayne	100	44	6	7	40	3	56	16	11	13	33	2	331
District Total	191	72	25	14	49	7	78	21	15	15	37	7	531
District 9													
Franklin	30	4	11	4	1	1	3	1	2	2	1	0	60
Granville	68	17	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	3	0	95
Person	52	29	5	12	22	6	17	4	10	4	0	0	161
Vance	41	52	1	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	110
Warren	38	6	5	3	5	3	0	0	4	1	0	0	65
District Total	229	108	22	34	29	11	21	6	16	9	6	0	491
District 10													
Wake	539	43	37	3	28	0	37	0	17	0	44	0	748
District 11													
Harnett	144	49	7	2	72	6	79	7	18	0	4	0	388
Johnston	138	31	2	0	1	7	5	8	1	2	4	2	201
Lee	70	26	0	3	7	10	9	4	3	7	3	1	143
District Total	352	106	9	5	80	23	93	19	22	9	11	3	732
District 12													
Cumberland	483	425	68	259	97	33	56	57	14	23	17	5	1537
Hoke	30	13	1	2	5	0	9	1	0	1	2	0	64
District Total	513	438	69	261	102	33	65	58	14	24	19	5	1601
District 13													
Bladen	54	46	0	4	7	1	2	10	0	8	0	0	132
Brunswick	158	33	7	9	2	2	4	3	3	2	7	0	230
Columbus	148	6	7	2	45	4	156	3	11	2	0	0	384
District Total	360	85	14	15	54	7	162	16	14	12	7	0	746

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	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Abuse Hearings		Parental Rights		Total
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	Hearings
District 14													
Durham	150	44	21	4	23	0	23	1	13	1	11	0	291
District 15A													
Alamance	169	52	33	3	11	2	16	6	4	5	17	0	318
District 15B													
Chatham	13	14	4	2	7	3	7	13	3	1	1	4	72
Orange	101	80	4	1	10	3	18	2	3	2	8	0	232
District Totals	114	94	8	3	17	6	25	15	6	3	9	4	304
District 16													
Robeson	367	34	13	0	4	1	53	10	36	4	19	3	544
Scotland	182	41	1	0	0	1	26	7	7	4	2	0	271
District Totals	549	75	14	0	4	2	79	17	43	8	21	3	815
District 17A													
Caswell	34	3	1	0	2	0	5	0	2	0	0	0	47
Rockingham	225	55	25	9	7	4	17	0	5	6	3	0	356
District Totals	259	58	26	9	9	4	22	0	7	6	3	0	403
District 17B													
Stokes	83	30	13	3	9	0	3	2	1	0	3	1	148
Surry	174	36	23	5	0	2	20	7	4	0	1	2	274
District Totals	257	66	36	8	9	2	23	9	5	0	4	3	422
District 18													
Guilford	612	234	139	94	25	11	49	21	16	15	74	3	1,293
District 19A													
Cabarrus	151	16	23	2	6	0	18	0	6	0	7	3	232
Rowan	262	62	94	11	62	4	126	9	34	1	9	0	674
District Totals	413	78	117	13	63	4	144	9	40	1	16	3	906
District 19B													
Montgomery	61	25	10	3	13	2	16	2	14	1	0	0	147
Randolph	435	69	160	32	96	26	141	34	43	9	10	0	1,055
District Totals	496	94	170	35	109	28	157	36	57	10	10	0	1,202

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	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	
District 20													
Anson	5	8	0	1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	19
Moore	86	24	1	8	2	1	40	9	3	0	13	0	187
Richmond	127	100	1	1	27	18	10	14	3	7	7	0	315
Stanly	72	14	22	10	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	122
Union	155	40	1	5	27	11	30	27	18	14	4	0	332
District Totals	445	186	25	25	57	31	84	51	25	21	25	0	975
District 21													
Forsyth	493	109	20	40	22	0	53	5	17	1	4	15	779
District 22													
Alexander	13	11	13	3	5	0	3	1	2	3	0	1	60
Davidson	90	25	16	30	19	1	29	1	3	1	19	0	234
Davie	19	6	12	6	8	2	3	1	1	1	0	1	60
Iredell	125	20	34	24	34	9	125	5	19	1	19	4	414
District Totals	247	62	75	63	66	12	160	8	25	6	38	6	768
District 23													
Alleghany	25	9	4	5	0	0	1	2	0	2	0	1	49
Ashe	33	20	6	6	1	0	11	4	1	1	1	0	82
Wilkes	150	4	112	3	75	1	107	1	39	0	5	5	502
Yadkin	121	16	34	8	18	7	15	7	23	3	3	0	255
District Totals	329	49	156	22	94	8	134	14	63	6	9	6	888
District 24													
Avery	56	17	39	7	20	4	46	1	17	1	1	1	210
Madison	26	11	35	16	25	15	63	24	52	9	0	0	276
Mitchell	2	4	3	2	1	4	1	14	1	2	1	0	35
Watauga	28	30	15	28	8	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	112
Yancey	5	6	10	2	5	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	31
District Totals	117	68	102	55	59	24	111	42	70	13	2	1	664
District 25													
Burke	226	37	124	28	142	3	332	6	175	1	8	1	1,083
Caldwell	140	68	147	66	67	19	85	5	40	2	0	22	661
Catawba	143	53	66	3	17	1	18	1	3	3	16	1	325
District Totals	509	158	337	97	226	23	435	12	218	6	24	24	2,069
District 26													
Mecklenburg	835	463	208	62	10	6	104	6	18	2	43	3	1,760

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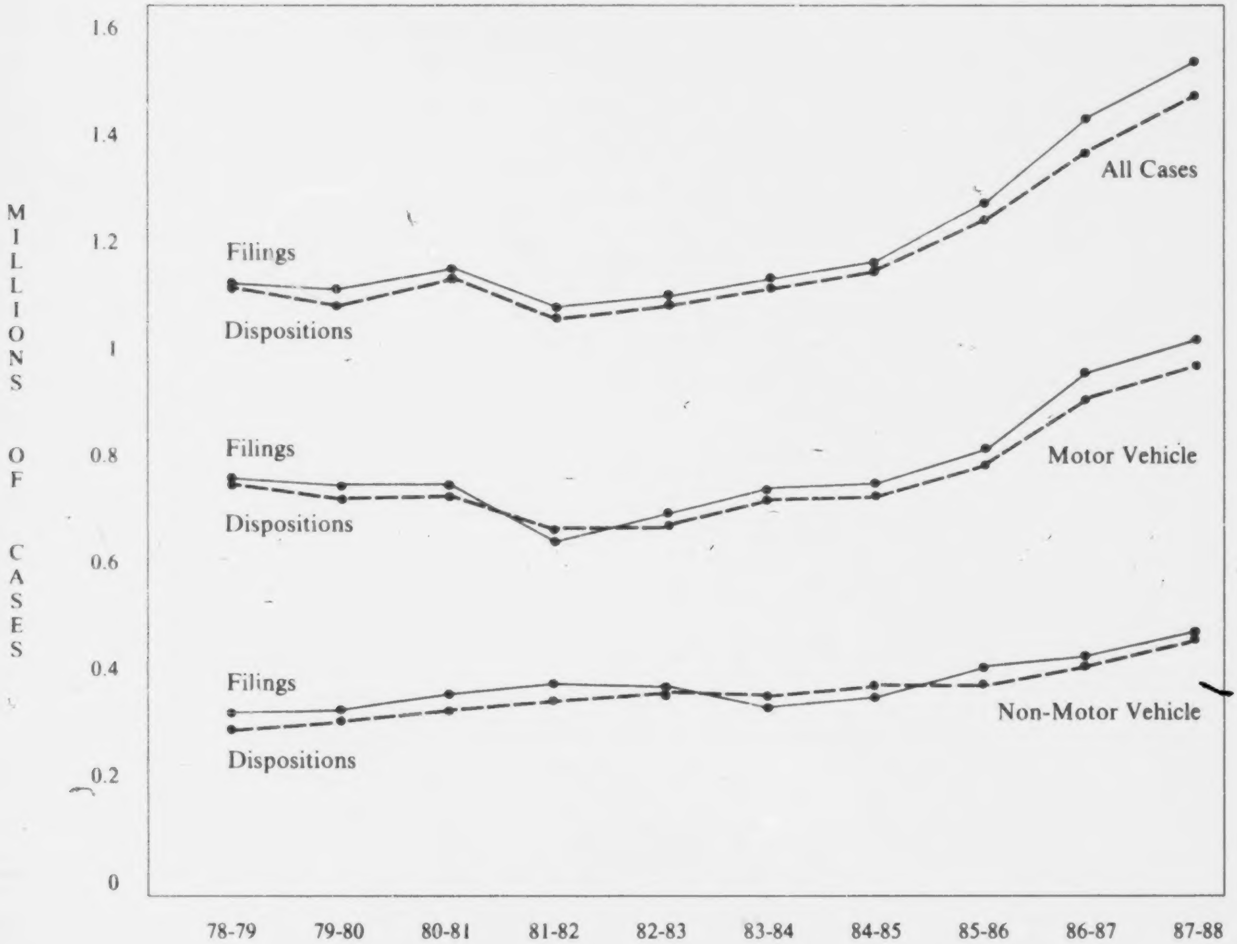
	Delinquency Hearings		Undisciplined Hearings		Dependency Hearings		Neglect Hearings		Abuse Hearings		Parental Rights		Total Hearings
	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Retained	Dismissed	Terminated	Not Terminated	
District 27A													
Gaston	355	156	142	28	23	6	36	4	6	0	28	6	790
District 27B													
Cleveland	134	89	15	1	5	1	35	7	8	3	4	0	302
Lincoln	78	17	16	7	6	0	10	0	1	0	4	0	139
District Totals	212	106	31	8	11	1	45	7	9	3	8	0	441
District 28													
Buncombe	177	153	115	124	14	2	13	2	8	0	4	4	616
District 29													
Henderson	47	9	30	4	1	3	6	1	1	1	10	2	115
McDowell	20	1	34	7	9	1	9	0	0	0	7	0	38
Polk	7	3	2	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	17
Rutherford	85	3	20	5	52	0	90	1	11	0	3	0	270
Transylvania	13	6	3	3	8	7	8	9	1	4	0	1	63
District Totals	172	22	89	19	71	11	117	11	13	5	20	3	353
District 30													
Cherokee	21	1	12	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	7	1	50
Clay	3	2	2	0	1	0	3	0	1	1	0	2	15
Graham	33	17	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57
Haywood	25	13	16	18	7	3	10	3	2	3	0	0	105
Jackson	17	7	3	2	4	0	6	0	5	0	2	1	47
Macon	14	1	2	1	1	1	3	1	1	0	3	0	28
Swain	4	0	0	1	7	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	18
District Totals	122	46	37	22	24	4	31	4	10	4	12	4	320
State Totals	11,615	4,023	2,177	1,105	1,405	308	2,646	482	892	211	586	109	25,559

FILING AND DISPOSITION TRENDS OF INFRACTIONS AND CRIMINAL CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

1978-79 — 1987-88



Infractions are non-criminal violations of law not punishable by improsonment. The category was first created September 1, 1986. To allow meaningful comparison of multi-year trends in the district courts, infracteions are included with criminal motor vehicle cases in this chart. Almost all infractions would have been criminal motor vehicle cases in prior years. Motor vehicle plus infraction filings together in 1987-88 were 5.4% greater than the corresponding motor vehicle and infraction filings the year before. Non-motor vehicle filings increased 9.9% in 1987-88. Non-motor vehicle dispositions increased 9.6%.

MOTOR VEHICLE CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
District 1				
Camden	223	73	164	237
Chowan	321	149	178	327
Currituck	713	223	760	983
Dare	2,715	737	1,768	2,505
Gates	532	93	418	511
Pasquotank	968	231	692	923
Perquimans	354	119	206	325
District Totals	5,826	1,625	4,186	5,811
District 2				
Beaufort	3,134	754	2,409	3,163
Hyde	484	99	388	487
Martin	1,385	490	1,911	2,401
Tyrrell	503	138	344	482
Washington	549	228	291	519
District Totals	6,055	1,709	5,343	7,052
District 3				
Carteret	3,731	869	2,528	3,397
Craven	4,844	872	4,008	4,880
Pamlico	475	120	268	388
Pitt	7,645	1,488	5,916	7,404
District Totals	16,695	3,349	12,720	16,069
District 4				
Duplin	1,715	647	2,189	2,836
Jones	657	78	475	553
Onslow	6,657	1,089	5,638	6,727
Sampson	3,340	906	2,484	3,390
District Totals	12,369	2,720	10,786	13,506
District 5				
New Hanover	8,643	2,016	6,453	8,469
Pender	1,742	338	1,485	1,823
District Totals	10,385	2,354	7,938	10,292
District 6				
Bertie	794	246	713	959
Halifax	3,368	1,287	2,501	3,788
Hertford	1,387	373	1,101	1,474
Northampton	1,308	279	1,339	1,618
District Totals	6,857	2,185	5,654	7,839
District 7				
Edgecombe	4,043	1,230	2,150	3,380
Nash	5,997	2,029	3,549	5,578
Wilson	4,005	1,324	2,102	3,426
District Totals	14,045	4,583	7,301	12,384
District 8				
Greene	850	150	649	799
Lenoir	4,514	944	3,373	4,317
Wayne	4,878	1,091	2,591	3,682
District Totals	10,242	2,185	6,613	8,798

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
District 9				
Franklin	1,927	308	1,364	1,672
Granville	1,429	394	952	1,346
Person	1,559	319	1,142	1,461
Vance	2,213	369	1,715	2,084
Warren	966	198	605	803
District Totals	8,099	1,588	5,778	7,366
District 10				
Wake	38,712	6,747	31,063	37,810
District 11				
Harnett	4,309	946	2,557	3,503
Johnston	5,341	1,269	4,376	5,645
Lee	2,587	711	1,688	2,399
District Totals	12,737	2,926	8,621	11,547
District 12				
Cumberland	17,380	3,444	13,933	17,377
Hoke	2,375	621	1,762	2,383
District Totals	19,755	4,065	15,695	19,760
District 13				
Bladen	2,545	509	1,978	2,487
Brunswick	2,684	2,639	3,589	6,228
Columbus	3,386	537	2,701	3,238
District Totals	8,615	3,685	8,268	11,953
District 14				
Durham	13,570	3,098	9,204	12,302
District 15A				
Alamance	6,364	1,291	4,941	6,232
District 15B				
Chatham	3,127	569	2,361	2,930
Orange	4,461	811	3,259	4,070
District Totals	7,588	1,380	5,620	7,000
District 16				
Robeson	6,010	1,098	4,748	5,846
Scotland	1,821	456	1,426	1,882
District Totals	7,831	1,554	6,174	7,728
District 17A				
Caswell	1,123	236	939	1,175
Rockingham	4,083	867	3,107	3,974
District Totals	5,206	1,103	4,046	5,149
District 17B				
Stokes	1,349	349	951	1,300
Surry	3,153	790	2,042	2,832
District Totals	4,502	1,139	2,993	4,132

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
District 18				
Guilford	26,226	3,743	18,935	22,678
District 19A				
Cabarrus	5,759	1,430	4,299	5,729
Rowan	4,801	1,164	3,440	4,604
District Totals	10,560	2,594	7,739	10,333
District 19B				
Montgomery	2,011	286	1,719	2,005
Randolph	5,493	1,051	3,900	4,951
District Totals	7,504	1,337	5,619	6,956
District 20				
Anson	2,105	333	1,728	2,061
Moore	3,796	774	2,482	3,256
Richmond	2,955	985	1,766	2,751
Stanly	2,032	598	1,505	2,103
Union	4,221	1,081	2,726	3,807
District Totals	15,159	3,771	10,207	13,978
District 21				
Forsyth	15,870	2,648	11,859	14,507
District 22				
Alexander	1,050	218	824	1,042
Davidson	6,996	1,947	4,714	6,661
Davie	1,263	346	1,267	1,613
Iredell	6,277	1,368	4,244	6,112
District Totals	15,586	4,379	11,049	15,428
District 23				
Alleghany	453	78	528	606
Ashe	782	224	521	745
Wilkes	2,611	691	1,938	2,629
Yadkin	1,331	300	1,009	1,309
District Totals	5,177	1,293	3,996	5,289
District 24				
Avery	911	175	740	915
Madison	985	532	447	979
Mitchell	645	230	434	664
Watauga	2,639	1,196	1,338	2,534
Yancey	587	277	330	607
District Totals	5,767	2,410	3,289	5,699
District 25				
Burke	4,211	1,023	2,878	3,901
Caldwell	4,310	898	2,990	3,888
Catawba	7,198	1,997	5,032	7,029
District Totals	15,719	3,918	10,900	14,818
District 26				
Mecklenburg	39,832	12,345	23,938	36,283

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	Total Filed	Dispositions		
		Waiver	Other	Total Dispositions
District 27A				
Gaston	12,477	3,109	8,538	11,647
District 27B				
Cleveland	4,606	1,075	2,938	4,013
Lincoln	2,731	686	1,951	2,637
District Totals	7,337	1,761	4,889	6,650
District 28				
Buncombe	9,372	3,276	5,730	9,006
District 29				
Henderson	3,865	1,147	2,105	3,252
McDowell	1,553	545	860	1,405
Polk	843	287	581	868
Rutherford	3,555	899	2,397	3,296
Transylvania	916	233	641	874
District Totals	10,732	3,111	6,584	9,695
District 30				
Cherokee	1,162	298	901	1,199
Clay	254	60	191	251
Graham	290	52	219	271
Haywood	2,365	518	1,492	2,010
Jackson	1,148	321	800	1,121
Macon	850	179	699	878
Swain	567	114	314	428
District Totals	6,636	1,542	4,616	6,158
State Totals	419,407	100,523	301,332	401,855

CASELOAD INVENTORY FOR CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Begin Pending 7/1/87	Filed	Total Caseload	Disposed	% Caseload Disposed	End Pending 6/30/88
District 1						
Camden	20	194	214	187	87.4%	27
Chowan	37	821	858	678	79.0%	180
Currituck	36	565	601	496	82.5%	105
Dare	470	2,992	3,462	2,892	83.5%	570
Gates	27	357	384	351	91.4%	33
Pasquotank	181	2,243	2,424	2,228	91.9%	196
Perquimans	41	465	506	451	89.1%	55
District Totals	812	7,637	8,449	7,283	86.2%	1,166
District 2						
Beaufort	217	3,344	3,561	3,207	90.1%	354
Hyde	67	522	589	541	91.9%	48
Martin	92	1,526	1,618	1,254	77.5%	364
Tyrrell	24	278	302	275	91.1%	27
Washington	36	926	962	910	94.6%	52
District Totals	436	6,596	7,032	6,187	88.0%	845
District 3						
Carteret	913	5,186	6,099	5,074	83.2%	1,025
Craven	915	6,592	7,507	6,551	87.3%	956
Pamlico	77	723	800	669	83.6%	131
Pitt	1,291	13,063	14,354	12,394	86.3%	1,960
District Totals	3,196	25,564	28,760	24,688	85.8%	4,072
District 4						
Duplin	245	3,105	3,350	2,861	85.4%	489
Jones	35	534	569	520	91.4%	49
Onslow	1,206	12,231	13,437	12,281	91.4%	1,156
Sampson	401	3,629	4,030	3,553	88.2%	477
District Totals	1,887	19,499	21,386	19,215	89.8%	2,171
District 5						
New Hanover	2,244	15,571	17,815	15,438	86.7%	2,377
Pender	280	1,777	2,057	1,761	85.6%	296
District Totals	2,524	17,348	19,872	17,199	86.5%	2,673
District 6						
Bertie	78	1,364	1,442	1,292	89.6%	150
Halifax	506	4,457	4,963	4,444	89.5%	519
Hertford	103	1,906	2,009	1,790	89.1%	219
Northampton	81	1,039	1,120	1,021	91.2%	99
District Totals	768	8,766	9,534	8,547	89.6%	987
District 7						
Edgecombe	1,095	5,755	6,850	5,639	82.3%	1,211
Nash	1,231	3,433	9,664	7,601	78.7%	2,063
Wilson	1,328	6,201	7,529	5,813	77.2%	1,716
District Totals	3,654	20,389	24,043	19,053	79.2%	4,990
District 8						
Greene	125	966	1,091	924	84.7%	167
Lenoir	849	4,732	5,581	4,739	84.9%	842
Wayne	1,060	7,040	8,100	6,802	84.0%	1,298
District Totals	2,034	12,738	14,772	12,465	84.4%	2,307

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District 9						
Franklin	197	2,663	2,860	2,563	89.6%	297
Granville	224	2,508	2,732	2,440	89.3%	292
Person	241	2,276	2,517	2,194	87.2%	323
Vance	275	4,696	4,971	4,341	87.3%	630
Warren	115	975	1,090	968	88.8%	122
District Totals	1,052	13,118	14,170	12,506	88.3%	1,664
District 10						
Wake	7,300	34,122	41,422	32,771	79.1%	8,651
District 11						
Harnett	564	4,487	5,051	4,416	87.4%	635
Johnston	740	5,651	6,391	5,572	87.2%	819
Lee	414	4,361	4,775	4,312	90.3%	463
District Totals	1,718	14,499	16,217	14,300	88.2%	1,917
District 12						
Cumberland	4,533	21,638	26,171	22,132	84.6%	4,039
Hoke	304	2,205	2,509	2,141	85.3%	368
District Totals	4,837	23,843	28,680	24,273	84.6%	4,407
District 13						
Bladen	347	2,401	2,748	2,455	89.3%	293
Brunswick	483	3,067	3,550	2,894	81.5%	656
Columbus	456	4,079	4,535	4,061	89.5%	474
District Totals	1,286	9,547	10,833	9,410	86.9%	1,423
District 14						
Durham	4,427	17,736	22,163	16,596	74.9%	5,567
District 15A						
Alamance	913	7,064	7,977	7,010	87.9%	967
District 15B						
Chatham	264	2,577	2,841	2,469	86.9%	372
Orange	708	4,870	5,578	4,886	87.6%	692
District Totals	972	7,447	8,419	7,355	87.4%	1,064
District 16						
Robeson	1,074	11,930	13,004	11,478	88.3%	1,526
Scotland	306	4,849	5,155	4,636	89.9%	519
District Totals	1,380	16,779	18,159	16,114	88.7%	2,045
District 17A						
Caswell	107	1,043	1,150	1,042	90.6%	108
Rockingham	573	5,934	6,507	5,808	89.3%	699
District Totals	680	6,977	7,657	6,850	89.5%	807
District 17B						
Stokes	180	1,658	1,838	1,603	87.2%	235
Surry	480	3,473	3,953	3,434	86.9%	519
District Totals	660	5,131	5,791	5,037	87.0%	754

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District 18						
Guilford	10,773	33,400	44,173	30,570	69.2%	13,608
District 19A						
Cabarrus	628	5,672	6,300	5,493	87.2%	807
Rowan	575	5,509	6,084	5,334	87.7%	750
District Totals	1,203	11,181	12,384	10,827	87.4%	1,557
District 19B						
Montgomery	349	2,444	2,793	2,380	85.2%	413
Randolph	1,088	6,133	7,221	5,816	80.5%	1,405
District Totals	1,437	8,577	10,014	8,196	81.8%	1,818
District 20						
Anson	193	2,126	2,319	2,056	88.7%	263
Moore	497	4,433	4,930	4,295	87.1%	635
Richmond	201	4,164	4,365	3,921	89.8%	444
Stanly	253	2,711	2,964	2,603	87.8%	361
Union	602	4,667	5,269	4,683	88.9%	586
District Totals	1,746	18,101	19,847	17,558	88.5%	2,289
District 21						
Forsyth	3,580	21,068	24,648	21,365	86.7%	3,283
District 22						
Alexander	170	1,837	2,007	1,796	89.5%	211
Davidson	1,211	8,643	9,854	8,481	86.1%	1,373
Davie	152	1,231	1,383	1,184	85.6%	199
Iredell	912	8,439	9,351	8,082	86.4%	1,269
District Totals	2,445	20,150	22,595	19,543	86.5%	3,052
District 23						
Alleghany	29	356	385	361	93.8%	24
Ashe	67	682	749	647	86.4%	102
Wilkes	500	3,834	4,334	3,799	87.7%	535
Yadkin	80	1,021	1,101	1,025	93.1%	76
District Totals	676	5,893	6,569	5,832	88.8%	737
District 24						
Avery	155	628	783	616	78.7%	167
Madison	148	656	804	683	85.0%	121
Mitchell	103	629	732	644	88.0%	88
Watauga	256	1,656	1,912	1,543	80.7%	369
Yancey	40	429	469	404	86.1%	65
District Totals	702	3,998	4,700	3,890	82.8%	810
District 25						
Burke	466	4,535	5,001	4,419	88.4%	582
Caldwell	774	4,112	4,886	4,393	89.9%	493
Catawba	1,118	7,679	8,797	7,527	85.6%	1,270
District Totals	2,358	16,326	18,684	16,339	87.4%	2,345
District 26						
Mecklenburg	8,902	44,055	52,957	43,396	81.9%	9,561

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District 27A						
Gaston	3,278	14,445	17,723	14,221	80.2%	3,502
District 27B						
Cleveland	524	5,036	5,560	4,749	85.4%	811
Lincoln	332	3,392	3,724	3,244	87.1%	480
District Total	856	8,428	9,284	7,993	86.1%	1,291
District 28						
Buncombe	1,653	15,434	17,087	15,251	89.3%	1,836
District 29						
Henderson	553	3,934	4,487	3,749	83.6%	738
McDowell	290	2,063	2,353	2,055	87.3%	298
Polk	100	603	703	604	85.9%	99
Rutherford	871	3,808	4,679	3,712	79.3%	967
Transylvania	290	1,520	1,810	1,492	82.4%	318
District Total	2,104	11,928	14,032	11,612	82.8%	2,420
District 30						
Cherokee	771	1,242	2,013	1,482	73.6%	531
Clay	36	380	416	348	83.7%	68
Graham	33	387	420	327	77.9%	93
Haywood	337	2,585	2,922	2,677	91.6%	245
Jackson	77	1,003	1,080	946	87.6%	134
Macon	128	681	809	660	81.6%	149
Swain	49	648	697	637	91.4%	60
District Total	1,431	6,926	8,357	7,077	84.7%	1,280
State Totals	83,685	514,710	598,395	500,529	83.6%	97,866

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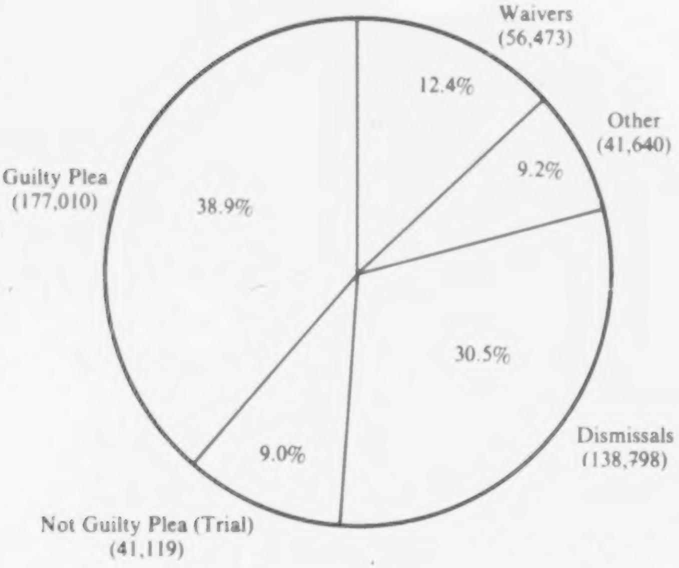

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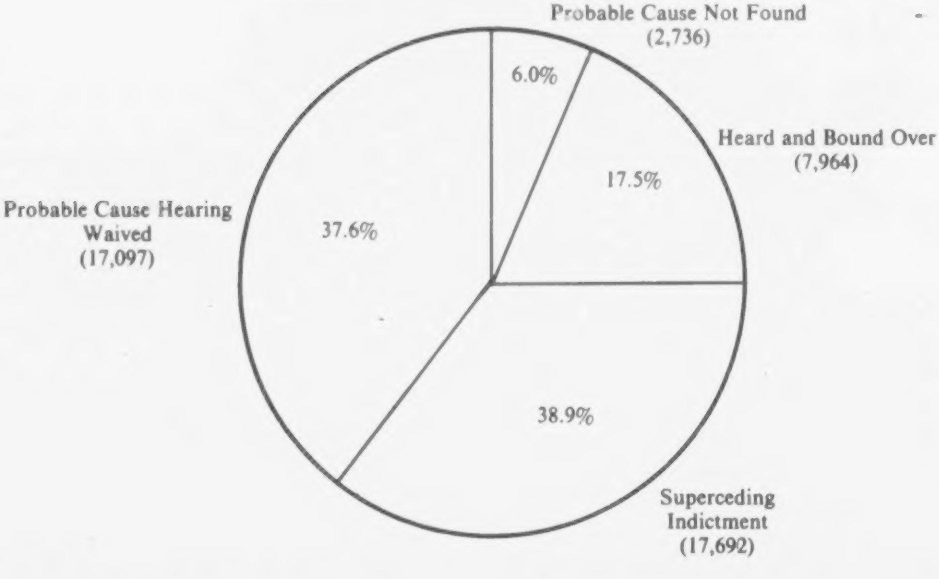

Guilty pleas predominate in the disposition of criminal non-motor vehicle cases in the district courts. The waivers referred to in the upper chart are waivers of trial in worthless check cases where the defendant pleads guilty before a magistrate. The "Other" category includes changes of venue, waivers of extradition, findings of no probable cause at initial appearance, and dismissals by the court. The proportion of distrct court felony cases superceded by indictment increased again this year from 34.1% to 38.9%.

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	Worthless Check Waiver	Guilty Plea		Not Guilty Plea	Dismissed by DA	Other	Felony Probable Cause Matters	Total Disposed
		Judge	Magistrate					
District 1								
Camden	0	64	19	32	29	28	15	187
Chowan	13	341	44	76	106	2	96	678
Currituck	15	284	1	49	86	33	28	496
Dare	122	989	20	233	625	685	213	2,892
Gates	13	141	24	72	44	4	53	351
Pasquotank	114	633	76	500	457	132	216	2,228
Perquimans	14	182	15	82	84	22	52	451
District Totals	291	2,634	199	1,049	1,431	956	673	7,283
% of Total	4.0%	36.2%	2.7%	14.4%	19.6%	13.1%	9.2%	100.0%
District 2								
Beaufort	281	1,091	338	460	314	368	355	3,207
Hyde	2	123	147	104	75	32	53	541
Martin	211	363	43	149	126	191	171	1,254
Tyrrell	8	73	84	34	32	19	25	275
Washington	124	245	74	130	55	56	176	910
District Totals	626	1,900	686	927	602	666	780	6,187
% of Total	10.1%	30.7%	11.1%	15.0%	9.7%	10.8%	12.6%	100.0%
District 3								
Carteret	563	1,266	628	155	1,781	403	277	5,074
Craven	1,053	2,088	362	368	1,604	638	438	6,551
Pamlico	10	227	130	72	160	64	6	669
Pitt	3,028	3,950	367	898	2,307	590	1,254	12,394
District Totals	4,654	7,531	1,487	1,494	5,852	1,695	1,975	24,688
% of Total	18.9%	30.5%	6.0%	6.1%	23.7%	6.9%	8.0%	100.0%
District 4								
Duplin	447	987	53	153	451	133	632	2,861
Jones	17	109	2	42	106	172	72	520
Onslow	2,706	4,714	252	534	1,596	1,035	1,444	12,281
Sampson	704	1,406	69	101	664	172	437	3,553
District Totals	3,874	7,216	376	835	2,817	1,512	2,585	19,215
% of Total	20.2%	37.6%	2.0%	4.3%	14.7%	7.9%	13.5%	100.0%
District 5								
New Hanover	1,462	5,652	681	1,328	3,145	1,064	2,106	15,438
Pender	44	784	39	150	432	74	238	1,761
District Totals	1,506	6,436	720	1,478	3,577	1,138	2,344	17,199
% of Total	8.8%	37.4%	4.2%	8.6%	20.8%	6.6%	13.6%	100.0%
District 6								
Bertie	72	443	17	140	207	302	111	1,292
Halifax	286	1,751	234	418	1,014	314	427	4,444
Hertford	181	812	1	97	227	327	145	1,790
Northampton	64	378	20	125	214	113	107	1,021
District Totals	603	3,384	272	780	1,662	1,056	790	8,547
% of Total	7.1%	39.6%	3.2%	9.1%	19.4%	12.4%	9.2%	100.0%
District 7								
Edgecombe	757	1,900	272	699	1,278	384	349	5,639
Nash	1,830	2,425	240	693	1,397	355	661	7,601
Wilson	899	2,008	213	548	1,365	237	543	5,813
District Totals	3,486	6,333	725	1,940	4,040	976	1,553	19,053
% of Total	18.3%	33.2%	3.8%	10.2%	21.2%	5.1%	8.2%	100.0%

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District 8								
Greene	68	244	56	64	335	74	83	924
Lenoir	417	1,427	69	311	1,800	427	288	4,739
Wayne	955	1,904	95	324	2,636	378	510	6,802
District Totals	1,440	3,575	220	699	4,771	879	881	12,465
% of Total	11.6%	28.7%	1.8%	5.6%	38.3%	7.1%	7.1%	100.0%
District 9								
Franklin	373	791	200	308	454	183	254	2,563
Granville	418	760	55	245	409	302	251	2,440
Person	206	678	134	274	431	169	282	2,194
Vance	503	1,397	227	656	342	460	256	4,341
Warren	60	230	38	207	244	148	41	968
District Totals	1,560	3,856	674	1,690	2,380	1,262	1,084	12,506
% of Total	12.5%	30.8%	5.4%	13.5%	19.0%	10.1%	8.7%	100.0%
District 10								
Wake	5,952	8,011	2,725	1,655	9,471	1,590	3,367	32,771
% of Total	18.2%	24.4%	8.3%	5.1%	28.9%	4.9%	10.3%	100.0%
District 11								
Harnett	598	1,495	145	283	916	700	274	4,416
Johnston	842	1,845	270	481	1,064	745	325	5,572
Lee	815	1,304	296	393	802	324	378	4,317
District Totals	2,255	4,644	711	1,162	2,782	1,769	977	14,300
% of Total	15.8%	32.5%	5.0%	8.1%	19.5%	12.4%	6.8%	100.0%
District 12								
Cumberland	4,794	6,449	124	1,361	7,049	666	1,689	22,132
Hoke	346	12	3	1,086	388	154	152	2,141
District Totals	5,140	6,461	127	2,447	7,437	820	1,841	24,273
% of Total	21.2%	26.6%	0.5%	10.1%	30.6%	3.4%	7.6%	100.0%
District 13								
Bladen	344	701	49	455	586	224	96	2,455
Brunswick	166	1,057	330	193	925	52	171	2,894
Columbus	834	1,533	33	332	862	306	161	4,061
District Totals	1,344	3,291	412	980	2,373	582	428	9,410
% of Total	14.3%	35.0%	4.4%	10.4%	25.2%	6.2%	4.5%	100.0%
District 14								
Durham	1,407	6,225	4	1,110	4,638	1,732	1,480	16,596
% of Total	8.5%	37.5%	0.0%	6.7%	27.9%	10.4%	8.9%	100.0%
District 15A								
Alamance	586	2,997	298	653	1,432	396	648	7,010
% of Total	8.4%	42.8%	4.3%	9.3%	20.4%	5.6%	9.2%	100.0%
District 15B								
Chatham	202	597	207	112	560	646	145	2,469
Orange	633	1,286	183	148	1,615	360	661	4,886
District Totals	835	1,883	390	260	2,175	1,006	806	7,355
% of Total	11.4%	25.6%	5.3%	3.5%	29.6%	13.7%	11.0%	100.0%
District 16								
Robeson	1,611	4,427	220	1,472	635	1,248	1,865	11,478
Scotland	613	2,009	89	546	465	482	432	4,636
District Totals	2,224	6,436	309	2,018	1,100	1,730	2,297	16,114
% of Total	13.8%	39.9%	1.9%	12.5%	6.8%	10.7%	14.3%	100.0%

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District 17A								
Caswell	51	227	89	282	176	115	102	1,042
Rockingham	369	2,013	165	966	823	562	910	5,808
District Totals	420	2,240	254	1,248	999	677	1,012	6,850
% of Total	6.1%	32.7%	3.7%	18.2%	14.6%	9.9%	14.8%	100.0%
District 17B								
Stokes	196	393	19	180	288	286	241	1,603
Surry	320	1,044	225	354	642	316	533	3,434
District Totals	516	1,437	244	534	930	602	774	5,037
% of Total	10.2%	28.5%	4.8%	10.6%	18.5%	12.0%	15.4%	100.0%
District 18								
Guilford	1,361	8,984	1,109	1,629	12,980	1,841	2,666	30,570
% of Total	4.5%	29.4%	3.6%	5.3%	42.5%	6.0%	8.7%	100.0%
District 19A								
Cabarrus	710	1,545	205	749	1,119	408	757	5,493
Rowan	509	1,506	98	738	1,042	715	726	5,334
District Totals	1,219	3,051	303	1,487	2,161	1,123	1,483	10,827
% of Total	11.3%	28.2%	2.8%	13.7%	20.0%	10.4%	13.7%	100.0%
District 19B								
Montgomery	190	582	405	204	591	267	141	2,380
Randolph	1,041	1,995	35	533	1,558	169	485	5,816
District Totals	1,231	2,577	440	737	2,149	436	626	8,196
% of Total	15.0%	31.4%	5.4%	9.0%	26.2%	5.3%	7.6%	100.0%
District 20								
Anson	81	66	208	841	501	186	173	2,056
Moore	684	1,129	451	459	837	248	487	4,295
Richmond	318	1,294	125	480	796	398	510	3,921
Stanly	250	728	286	346	485	309	199	2,603
Union	734	1,460	123	574	855	427	510	4,683
District Totals	2,067	4,677	1,193	2,700	3,474	1,568	1,879	17,558
% of Total	11.8%	26.6%	6.8%	15.4%	19.8%	8.9%	10.7%	100.0%
District 21								
Forsyth	1,372	6,979	0	2,698	6,172	1,760	2,384	21,365
% of Total	6.4%	32.7%	0.0%	12.6%	28.9%	8.2%	11.2%	100.0%
District 22								
Alexander	85	542	1	138	593	336	101	1,796
Davidson	437	2,614	256	538	3,385	804	447	8,481
Davie	74	335	61	115	371	171	57	1,184
Iredell	655	2,758	364	515	2,666	711	413	8,082
District Totals	1,251	6,249	632	1,306	7,015	2,022	1,018	19,543
% of Total	6.4%	32.0%	3.5%	6.7%	35.9%	10.3%	5.2%	100.0%
District 23								
Alleghany	49	30	16	149	67	30	20	361
Ashe	89	187	0	112	28	179	52	647
Wilkes	324	1,555	132	572	665	283	268	3,799
Yadkin	57	323	4	272	135	67	167	1,025
District Totals	519	2,095	152	1,105	895	559	507	5,832
% of Total	8.9%	35.9%	2.6%	18.9%	15.3%	9.6%	8.7%	100.0%

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		Judge	Magistrate					
District 24								
Avery	68	56	2	83	208	137	62	616
Madison	17	56	0	35	268	204	93	683
Mitchell	113	86	41	62	179	113	50	644
Watauga	345	289	28	68	518	132	163	1,543
Yancey	46	2	58	112	118	14	54	404
District Totals	589	499	129	360	1,291	600	422	3,890
% of Total	15.1%	12.8%	3.3%	9.3%	33.2%	15.4%	10.8%	100.0%
District 25								
Burke	435	1,397	55	246	1,204	612	470	4,419
Caldwell	371	1,413	276	253	1,046	434	600	4,393
Catawba	859	2,524	154	559	1,345	824	762	7,527
District Totals	1,665	5,334	485	1,058	4,095	1,870	1,832	16,339
% of Total	10.2%	32.6%	3.0%	6.5%	25.1%	11.4%	11.2%	100.0%
District 26								
Mecklenburg	1,702	11,441	629	1,566	22,027	4,794	1,237	43,396
% of Total	3.9%	26.4%	1.4%	3.6%	50.8%	11.0%	2.9%	100.0%
District 27A								
Gaston	648	3,981	463	1,083	5,258	1,368	1,420	14,221
% of Total	4.6%	28.0%	3.3%	7.6%	37.0%	9.6%	10.0%	100.0%
District 27B								
Cleveland	223	1,582	288	372	1,428	476	380	4,749
Lincoln	314	866	344	195	812	534	179	3,244
District Totals	537	2,448	632	567	2,240	1,010	559	7,993
% of Total	6.7%	30.6%	7.9%	7.1%	28.0%	12.6%	7.0%	100.0%
District 28								
Buncombe	2,580	7,449	213	604	3,333	234	838	15,251
% of Total	16.9%	48.8%	1.4%	4.0%	21.9%	1.5%	5.5%	100.0%
District 29								
Henderson	275	1,370	258	133	998	474	241	3,749
McDowell	147	580	234	157	430	124	383	2,055
Polk	4	269	14	26	220	43	28	604
Rutherford	173	1,416	239	432	912	164	326	3,712
Transylvania	75	475	288	32	429	37	156	1,492
District Totals	674	4,110	1,033	830	2,989	842	1,134	11,612
% of Total	5.8%	35.4%	8.9%	7.1%	25.7%	7.3%	9.8%	100.0%
District 30								
Cherokee	107	375	18	12	447	250	273	1,482
Clay	21	149	23	22	109	5	19	348
Graham	0	84	1	94	115	16	17	327
Haywood	129	794	136	173	898	147	400	2,677
Jackson	29	201	111	42	252	34	277	946
Macon	33	165	54	52	205	92	59	660
Swain	20	111	78	35	224	25	144	637
District Totals	339	1,879	421	430	2,250	569	1,189	7,077
% of Total	4.8%	26.6%	5.9%	6.1%	31.8%	8.0%	16.8%	100.0%
State Totals	56,473	158,293	18,717	41,119	138,798	41,640	45,489	500,529
% of Total	11.3%	31.6%	3.7%	8.2%	27.7%	8.3%	9.1%	100.0%

AGES OF PENDING CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1988

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)						Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730			
District 1									
Camden	25	2	0	0	0	0	27	23.5	14.0
Chowan	90	12	40	30	7	1	180	121.1	90.0
Currituck	68	4	11	18	4	0	105	87.7	37.0
Dare	515	11	17	22	4	1	570	37.5	16.0
Gates	28	4	1	0	0	0	33	43.7	35.0
Pasquotank	175	7	10	3	1	0	196	38.9	24.0
Perquimans	48	0	2	4	1	0	55	51.3	27.0
District Totals	949	40	81	77	17	2	1,166	55.7	23.0
% of Total	81.4%	3.4%	6.9%	6.6%	1.5%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 2									
Beaufort	226	9	19	71	23	6	354	127.3	38.0
Hyde	46	0	0	2	0	0	48	30.6	12.0
Martin	236	5	105	18	0	0	364	82.5	56.0
Tyrrell	25	0	0	1	1	0	27	43.9	28.0
Washington	50	0	0	1	1	0	52	34.6	17.0
District Totals	583	14	124	93	25	6	845	94.1	52.0
% of Total	69.0%	1.7%	14.7%	11.0%	3.0%	0.7%	100.0%		
District 3									
Carteret	795	57	97	53	16	7	1,025	72.5	37.0
Craven	677	68	98	77	16	20	956	95.5	35.0
Pamlico	88	9	8	20	6	0	131	91.1	41.0
Pitt	1,549	133	168	102	8	0	1,960	57.6	37.0
District Totals	3,109	267	371	252	46	27	4,072	71.3	37.0
% of Total	76.4%	6.6%	9.1%	6.2%	1.1%	0.7%	100.0%		
District 4									
Duplin	438	13	12	20	6	0	489	49.5	29.0
Jones	49	0	0	0	0	0	49	36.5	37.0
Onslow	944	86	82	41	3	0	1,156	53.2	36.0
Sampson	350	86	23	17	1	0	477	60.6	49.0
District Totals	1,781	185	117	78	10	0	2,171	53.6	36.0
% of Total	82.0%	8.5%	5.4%	3.6%	0.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 5									
New Hanover	1,589	112	185	304	131	56	2,377	127.9	51.0
Pender	195	19	8	35	25	14	296	152.1	62.0
District Totals	1,784	131	193	339	156	70	2,673	130.6	51.0
% of Total	66.7%	4.9%	7.2%	12.7%	5.8%	2.6%	100.0%		
District 6									
Bertie	106	10	10	21	3	0	150	75.8	23.0
Halifax	339	58	61	58	3	0	519	79.4	41.0
Hertford	193	8	11	1	4	2	219	53.0	29.0
Northampton	83	2	3	10	1	0	99	57.7	27.0
District Totals	721	78	85	90	11	2	987	70.8	34.0
% of Total	73.0%	7.9%	8.6%	9.1%	1.1%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 7									
Edgecombe	785	109	98	145	65	9	1,211	107.0	56.0
Nash	1,277	265	233	209	57	22	2,063	97.1	59.0
Wilson	899	143	214	285	153	22	1,716	149.1	86.0
District Totals	2,961	517	545	639	275	53	4,990	117.4	65.0
% of Total	59.3%	10.4%	10.9%	12.8%	5.5%	1.1%	100.0%		

AGES OF PENDING CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1988

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)								
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730	Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
District 8									
Greene	132	18	17	0	0	0	167	44.5	27.0
Lenoir	629	62	57	69	18	7	842	81.8	48.0
Wayne	936	113	144	84	19	2	1,298	74.1	48.0
District Totals	1,697	193	218	153	37	9	2,307	74.7	45.0
% of Total	73.6%	8.4%	9.4%	6.6%	1.6%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 9									
Franklin	225	22	30	19	1	0	297	62.8	35.0
Granville	231	19	11	13	17	1	292	74.1	35.0
Person	194	13	9	101	6	0	323	118.7	44.0
Vance	483	35	25	50	26	11	630	90.8	41.0
Warren	79	6	4	9	6	18	122	213.1	25.0
District Totals	1,212	95	79	192	56	30	1,664	97.2	36.0
% of Total	72.8%	5.7%	4.7%	11.5%	3.4%	1.8%	100.0%		
District 10									
Wake	4,094	777	910	1,503	862	505	8,651	201.8	99.0
% of Total	47.3%	9.0%	10.5%	17.4%	10.0%	5.8%	100.0%		
District 11									
Harnett	409	62	68	61	26	9	635	119.8	51.0
Johnston	622	60	83	51	3	0	819	63.9	36.0
Lee	406	26	12	14	5	0	463	46.8	28.0
District Totals	1,437	148	163	126	34	9	1,917	78.3	37.0
% of Total	75.0%	7.7%	8.5%	6.6%	1.8%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 12									
Cumberland	2,751	393	422	413	53	7	4,039	82.6	52.0
Hoke	285	29	20	14	10	10	368	86.1	44.0
District Totals	3,036	422	442	427	63	17	4,407	82.9	51.0
% of Total	68.9%	9.6%	10.0%	9.7%	1.4%	0.4%	100.0%		
District 13									
Bladen	248	13	6	18	6	2	293	61.8	29.0
Brunswick	353	58	54	135	49	7	656	139.1	79.0
Columbus	370	26	44	23	6	5	474	66.8	29.0
District Totals	971	97	104	176	61	14	1,423	99.1	41.0
% of Total	68.2%	6.8%	7.3%	12.4%	4.3%	1.0%	100.0%		
District 14									
Durham	2,554	472	428	656	696	761	5,567	282.3	101.0
% of Total	45.9%	8.5%	7.7%	11.8%	12.5%	13.7%	100.0%		
District 15A									
Alamance	745	46	51	106	14	5	967	72.3	29.0
% of Total	77.0%	4.8%	5.3%	11.0%	1.4%	0.5%	100.0%		
District 15B									
Chatham	320	16	13	22	1	0	372	51.2	27.0
Orange	395	40	71	102	81	3	692	138.3	69.0
District Totals	715	56	84	124	32	3	1,064	107.9	44.0
% of Total	67.2%	5.3%	7.9%	11.7%	7.7%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 16									
Robeson	1,067	96	104	200	52	7	1,526	88.6	41.0
Scotland	324	52	29	63	44	7	519	133.6	42.0
District Totals	1,391	148	133	263	96	14	2,045	100.0	41.0
% of Total	68.0%	7.2%	6.5%	12.9%	4.7%	0.7%	100.0%		

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Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1988

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)								
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730	Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
District 17A									
Caswell	102	1	2	2	1	0	108	40.5	28.0
Rockingham	558	48	58	25	8	2	699	55.0	27.0
District Totals	660	49	60	27	9	2	807	53.1	28.0
% of Total	81.8%	6.1%	7.4%	3.3%	1.1%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 17B									
Stokes	199	20	5	6	5	0	235	61.6	44.0
Surry	440	28	27	21	2	1	519	52.5	34.0
District Totals	639	48	32	27	7	1	754	55.7	36.0
% of Total	84.7%	6.4%	4.2%	3.6%	0.9%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 18									
Guilford	6,632	1,202	1,727	2,211	1,507	329	13,608	164.8	94.0
% of Total	48.7%	8.8%	12.7%	16.2%	11.1%	2.4%	100.0%		
District 19A									
Cabarrus	654	41	54	46	12	0	807	58.1	29.0
Rowan	610	54	36	45	4	1	750	54.8	23.0
District Totals	1,264	95	90	91	16	1	1,557	56.5	28.0
% of Total	81.2%	6.1%	5.8%	5.8%	1.0%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 19B									
Montgomery	270	16	25	74	17	11	413	125.7	48.0
Randolph	909	118	104	173	94	7	1,405	108.3	52.0
District Totals	1,179	134	129	247	111	18	1,818	112.2	52.0
% of Total	64.9%	7.4%	7.1%	13.6%	6.1%	1.0%	100.0%		
District 20									
Anson	225	8	4	11	12	3	263	76.0	29.0
Moore	410	10	34	94	79	8	635	124.6	34.0
Richmond	362	25	8	47	2	0	444	58.3	27.0
Stanly	342	6	4	9	0	0	361	31.3	16.0
Union	394	39	27	42	28	56	586	293.3	34.0
District Totals	1,733	83	77	203	121	67	2,289	134.6	28.0
% of Total	75.7%	3.6%	3.4%	8.9%	5.3%	2.9%	100.0%		
District 21									
Forsyth	1,735	160	159	594	526	109	3,283	194.8	77.0
% of Total	52.8%	4.9%	4.8%	18.1%	16.0%	3.3%	100.0%		
District 22									
Alexander	184	14	6	6	1	0	211	46.2	34.0
Davidson	1,133	59	75	57	24	25	1,373	71.9	30.0
Davie	154	16	10	14	3	2	199	76.1	43.0
Iredell	996	68	59	114	26	6	1,269	71.4	30.0
District Totals	2,467	157	150	191	54	33	3,052	70.2	30.0
% of Total	80.8%	5.1%	4.9%	6.3%	1.8%	1.1%	100.0%		
District 23									
Alleghany	17	1	1	4	1	0	24	83.5	37.0
Ashe	51	3	0	9	28	11	102	311.8	89.0
Wilkes	309	33	45	84	52	12	535	137.2	69.0
Yadkin	70	3	1	2	0	0	76	38.2	17.0
District Totals	447	40	47	99	81	23	737	149.4	52.0
% of Total	60.7%	5.4%	6.4%	13.4%	11.0%	3.1%	100.0%		

AGES OF PENDING CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Pending June 30, 1988

	Ages of Pending Cases (Days)								
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730	Total Pending	Mean Age	Median Age
District 24									
Avery	86	18	22	17	18	6	167	177.6	86.0
Madison	42	4	14	27	29	5	121	251.2	191.0
Mitchell	54	10	8	5	5	6	88	159.5	56.0
Watauga	219	32	55	52	10	1	369	103.5	65.0
Yancey	46	7	4	6	2	0	65	88.9	57.0
District Totals	447	71	103	107	64	18	810	145.8	73.0
% of Total	55.2%	8.8%	12.7%	13.2%	7.9%	2.2%	100.0%		
District 25									
Burke	529	9	21	14	8	1	582	44.7	22.0
Caldwell	405	36	26	13	12	1	493	59.0	30.0
Catawba	945	130	103	54	33	5	1,270	73.8	44.0
District Totals	1,879	175	150	81	53	7	2,345	63.5	35.0
% of Total	80.1%	7.5%	6.4%	3.5%	2.3%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 26									
Mecklenburg	5,307	653	1,005	1,780	643	173	9,561	142.4	74.0
% of Total	55.5%	6.8%	10.5%	18.6%	6.7%	1.8%	100.0%		
District 27A									
Gaston	2,290	325	380	321	111	75	3,502	114.8	55.0
% of Total	65.4%	9.3%	10.9%	9.2%	3.2%	2.1%	100.0%		
District 27B									
Cleveland	660	62	38	38	11	2	811	58.2	30.0
Lincoln	375	22	21	34	18	10	480	94.2	29.0
District Totals	1,035	84	59	72	29	12	1,291	71.6	30.0
% of Total	80.2%	6.5%	4.6%	5.6%	2.2%	0.9%	100.0%		
District 28									
Buncombe	1,334	98	173	209	21	1	1,836	69.4	35.0
% of Total	72.7%	5.3%	9.4%	11.4%	1.1%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 29									
Henderson	489	61	55	90	32	11	738	108.2	49.0
McDowell	243	19	13	4	17	2	298	74.6	28.0
Polk	67	2	17	11	2	0	99	83.6	45.0
Rutherford	485	41	73	100	157	111	967	268.0	87.0
Transylvania	185	17	16	26	73	1	318	163.5	65.0
District Totals	1,469	140	174	231	281	125	2,420	174.2	62.0
% of Total	60.7%	5.8%	7.2%	9.5%	11.6%	5.2%	100.0%		
District 30									
Cherokee	157	10	55	32	107	170	531	475.4	443.0
Clay	58	3	1	4	2	0	68	54.7	15.0
Graham	52	9	11	16	5	0	93	120.2	72.0
Haywood	175	14	29	14	10	3	245	85.1	30.0
Jackson	115	5	7	4	1	2	134	61.3	28.0
Macon	80	17	5	16	13	18	149	314.2	79.0
Swain	49	1	2	4	4	0	60	80.7	23.0
District Totals	686	59	110	90	142	193	1,280	271.9	72.0
% of Total	53.6%	4.6%	8.6%	7.0%	11.1%	15.1%	100.0%		
State Totals	60,943	7,264	8,753	11,875	6,317	2,714	97,866	134.5	57.0
% of Total	62.3%	7.4%	8.9%	12.1%	6.5%	2.8%	100.0%		

AGES OF DISPOSED CRIMINAL NON-MOTOR VEHICLE CASES IN THE DISTRICT COURTS

Ages of Cases Disposed July 1, 1987 — June 30, 1988

	Ages of Disposed Cases (Days)								
	0-90	91-120	121-180	181-365	366-730	>730	Total Disposed	Mean Age	Median Age
District 1									
Camden	177	5	2	3	0	0	137	35.3	28.0
Chowan	659	8	1	6	4	0	678	26.1	18.0
Currituck	471	12	4	9	0	0	496	31.1	22.0
Dare	2,605	72	70	140	4	1	2,892	41.8	22.0
Gates	340	7	3	1	0	0	351	29.9	25.0
Pasquotank	2,155	19	22	28	4	0	2,228	28.9	20.0
Perquimans	428	8	7	8	0	0	451	31.3	22.0
District Totals	6,835	131	109	195	12	1	7,283	34.3	21.0
% of Total	93.8%	1.8%	1.5%	2.7%	0.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 2									
Beaufort	3,063	59	36	32	7	10	3,207	26.1	14.0
Hyde	513	13	8	3	4	0	541	32.2	21.0
Martin	1,202	18	17	13	3	1	1,254	24.2	13.0
Tyrrell	261	8	4	2	0	0	275	30.4	23.0
Washington	893	8	7	2	0	0	910	21.9	15.0
District Totals	5,932	106	72	52	14	11	6,187	25.8	14.0
% of Total	95.9%	1.7%	1.2%	0.8%	0.2%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 3									
Carteret	3,951	374	379	299	47	24	5,074	64.5	35.0
Craven	5,339	418	440	300	54	0	6,551	51.8	26.0
Pamlico	543	39	52	33	2	0	669	53.7	30.0
Pitt	10,618	793	609	358	15	1	12,394	46.9	30.0
District Totals	20,451	1,624	1,480	990	118	25	24,688	52.0	30.0
% of Total	82.8%	6.6%	6.0%	4.0%	0.5%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 4									
Duplin	2,594	114	91	59	2	1	2,861	39.5	23.0
Jones	472	16	19	10	3	0	520	36.5	22.0
Onslow	10,888	518	619	226	30	0	12,281	36.9	20.0
Sampson	3,202	170	129	45	7	0	3,553	43.4	33.0
District Totals	17,156	818	858	340	42	1	19,215	38.4	23.0
% of Total	89.3%	4.3%	4.5%	1.8%	0.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 5									
New Hanover	13,384	621	499	479	305	150	15,438	57.9	26.0
Pender	1,503	88	66	69	26	9	1,761	54.3	22.0
District Totals	14,887	709	565	548	331	159	17,199	57.5	25.0
% of Total	86.6%	4.1%	3.3%	3.2%	1.9%	0.9%	100.0%		
District 6									
Bertie	1,253	15	13	9	2	0	1,292	23.6	15.0
Halifax	3,937	224	174	55	54	0	4,444	42.8	28.0
Hertford	1,713	46	22	9	0	0	1,790	28.7	20.0
Northampton	948	26	28	10	9	0	1,021	31.1	14.0
District Totals	7,851	311	237	83	65	0	8,547	35.5	22.0
% of Total	91.9%	3.6%	2.8%	1.0%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 7									
Edgecombe	4,420	361	357	432	65	4	5,639	65.1	36.0
Nash	6,070	502	531	432	60	6	7,601	60.0	34.0
Wilson	4,084	475	560	505	168	21	5,813	84.6	47.0
District Totals	14,574	1,338	1,448	1,369	293	31	19,053	69.0	38.0
% of Total	76.5%	7.0%	7.6%	7.2%	1.5%	0.2%	100.0%		

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District 8									
Greene	747	62	54	37	22	2	924	61.2	29.0
Lenoir	3,619	377	426	276	41	0	4,739	63.8	37.0
Wayne	5,347	497	553	367	38	0	6,802	60.7	39.0
District Totals	9,713	936	1,033	680	101	2	12,465	61.9	37.0
% of Total	77.9%	7.5%	8.3%	5.5%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 9									
Franklin	2,294	102	98	55	10	4	2,563	38.3	19.0
Granville	2,249	57	55	42	36	1	2,440	37.2	19.0
Person	1,986	81	43	48	36	0	2,194	48.9	31.0
Vance	3,976	157	100	92	16	0	4,341	28.4	7.0
Warren	878	35	37	14	4	0	968	32.7	15.0
District Totals	11,383	432	333	251	102	5	12,506	36.1	17.0
% of Total	91.0%	3.5%	2.7%	2.0%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 10									
Wake	24,717	2,366	2,125	2,755	752	56	32,771	74.9	43.0
% of Total	75.4%	7.2%	6.5%	8.4%	2.3%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 11									
Harnett	3,824	180	185	188	36	3	4,416	47.0	23.0
Johnston	4,797	276	271	210	18	0	5,572	47.0	27.0
Lee	3,949	147	149	62	5	0	4,312	33.9	20.0
District Totals	12,570	603	605	460	59	3	14,300	43.0	23.0
% of Total	87.9%	4.2%	4.2%	3.2%	0.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 12									
Cumberland	14,992	1,901	2,512	2,439	249	39	22,132	79.5	45.0
Hoke	1,678	180	164	75	39	5	2,141	63.2	37.0
District Totals	16,670	2,081	2,676	2,514	288	44	24,273	78.1	44.0
% of Total	68.7%	8.6%	11.0%	10.4%	1.2%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 13									
Bladen	2,217	109	71	41	14	3	2,455	43.2	27.0
Brunswick	2,446	180	138	97	25	8	2,894	50.4	27.0
Columbus	3,682	191	114	57	15	2	4,061	39.3	24.0
District Totals	8,345	480	323	195	54	13	9,410	43.7	26.0
% of Total	88.7%	5.1%	3.4%	2.1%	0.6%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 14									
Durham	12,171	1,525	1,609	1,103	162	26	16,596	69.0	42.0
% of Total	73.3%	9.2%	9.7%	6.6%	1.0%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 15A									
Alamance	6,401	223	138	155	91	2	7,010	42.7	25.0
% of Total	91.3%	3.2%	2.0%	2.2%	1.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 15B									
Chatham	2,201	112	71	70	15	0	2,469	41.7	22.0
Orange	4,177	216	289	181	21	2	4,886	48.5	28.0
District Totals	6,378	328	360	251	36	2	7,355	46.2	26.0
% of Total	86.7%	4.5%	4.9%	3.4%	0.5%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 16									
Robeson	10,533	350	364	212	18	1	11,478	29.9	14.0
Scotland	4,363	147	70	49	6	1	4,636	29.0	16.0
District Totals	14,896	497	434	261	24	2	16,114	29.6	15.0
% of Total	92.4%	3.1%	2.7%	1.6%	0.1%	0.0%	100.0%		

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District 17A									
Caswell	979	32	11	14	6	0	1,042	31.3	21.0
Rockingham	5,439	174	92	84	19	0	5,808	35.0	22.0
District Totals	6,418	206	103	98	25	0	6,850	34.4	22.0
% of Total	93.7%	3.0%	1.5%	1.4%	0.4%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 17B									
Stokes	1,256	123	185	35	4	0	1,603	56.2	37.0
Surry	2,951	207	209	66	1	0	3,434	48.9	36.0
District Totals	4,207	330	394	101	5	0	5,037	51.2	36.0
% of Total	83.5%	6.6%	7.8%	2.0%	0.1%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 18									
Guilford	18,508	2,787	3,609	3,737	1,715	214	30,570	113.6	64.0
% of Total	60.5%	9.1%	11.8%	12.2%	5.6%	0.7%	100.0%		
District 19A									
Cabarrus	5,069	177	88	111	48	0	5,493	42.9	29.0
Rowan	4,836	191	157	130	20	0	5,334	41.5	27.0
District Totals	9,905	368	245	241	68	0	10,827	42.3	28.0
% of Total	91.5%	3.4%	2.3%	2.2%	0.6%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 19B									
Montgomery	2,103	109	67	60	40	1	2,380	46.7	26.0
Randolph	4,680	480	352	177	126	1	5,816	63.7	42.0
District Totals	6,783	589	419	237	166	2	8,196	58.7	37.0
% of Total	82.8%	7.2%	5.1%	2.9%	2.0%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 20									
Anson	1,957	52	33	13	1	0	2,056	31.1	22.0
Moore	3,943	152	123	56	19	2	4,295	34.9	20.0
Richmond	3,735	67	72	45	2	0	3,921	26.3	14.0
Stanly	2,449	70	48	34	1	1	2,603	34.8	25.0
Union	4,358	140	98	79	7	1	4,683	35.0	21.0
District Totals	16,442	481	374	227	30	4	17,558	32.6	20.0
% of Total	93.6%	2.7%	2.1%	1.3%	0.2%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 21									
Forsyth	19,277	344	295	327	547	575	21,365	69.2	22.0
% of Total	90.2%	1.6%	1.4%	1.5%	2.6%	2.7%	100.0%		
District 22									
Alexander	1,580	83	77	46	10	0	1,796	45.5	27.0
Davidson	7,376	504	326	219	53	3	8,481	49.5	30.0
Davie	1,023	74	46	41	0	0	1,184	47.7	34.0
Iredell	6,943	524	326	233	48	8	8,082	53.5	36.0
District Totals	16,922	1,185	775	539	111	11	19,543	50.7	33.0
% of Total	86.6%	6.1%	4.0%	2.8%	0.6%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 23									
Alleghany	337	5	6	13	0	0	361	35.3	21.0
Ashe	629	8	4	5	1	0	647	22.5	16.0
Wilkes	3,374	119	137	50	60	59	3,799	58.0	22.0
Yadkin	948	35	28	13	1	0	1,025	35.0	23.0
District Totals	5,288	167	175	81	62	59	5,832	48.6	21.0
% of Total	90.7%	2.9%	3.0%	1.4%	1.1%	1.0%	100.0%		

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District 24									
Avery	487	23	37	43	26	0	616	74.7	37.0
Madison	543	44	30	49	13	4	683	73.3	45.0
Mitchell	513	77	25	21	3	0	644	57.9	41.0
Watauga	1,177	103	106	111	45	1	1,543	72.5	36.0
Yancey	346	26	16	14	2	0	404	48.9	31.0
District Totals	3,066	273	214	238	94	5	3,890	68.1	38.0
% of Total	78.8%	7.0%	5.5%	6.1%	2.4%	0.1%	100.0%		
District 25									
Burke	3,918	175	160	152	14	0	4,419	41.2	22.0
Caldwell	3,732	261	216	162	22	0	4,393	48.7	28.0
Catawba	6,293	434	416	367	17	0	7,527	50.7	29.0
District Totals	13,943	870	792	681	53	0	16,339	47.6	27.0
% of Total	85.3%	5.3%	4.8%	4.2%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 26									
Mecklenburg	33,658	2,761	2,434	3,212	1,075	256	43,396	72.3	36.0
% of Total	77.6%	6.4%	5.6%	7.4%	2.5%	0.6%	100.0%		
District 27A									
Gaston	10,421	1,316	1,058	1,067	316	43	14,221	81.5	52.0
% of Total	73.3%	9.3%	7.4%	7.5%	2.2%	0.3%	100.0%		
District 27B									
Cleveland	4,273	240	112	105	18	1	4,749	40.0	24.0
Lincoln	2,972	117	101	45	9	0	3,244	37.1	25.0
District Totals	7,245	357	213	150	27	1	7,993	38.8	24.0
% of Total	90.6%	4.5%	2.7%	1.9%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 28									
Buncombe	13,352	495	509	772	121	2	15,251	47.9	25.0
% of Total	87.5%	3.2%	3.3%	5.1%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%		
District 29									
Henderson	3,145	223	164	133	65	19	3,749	61.5	33.0
McDowell	1,812	95	72	55	20	1	2,055	49.9	30.0
Polk	518	30	31	18	7	0	604	49.6	28.0
Rutherford	3,089	218	205	177	23	0	3,712	56.3	37.0
Transylvania	1,261	106	50	55	14	6	1,492	52.8	24.0
District Totals	9,825	672	522	438	129	26	11,612	56.1	32.0
% of Total	84.6%	5.8%	4.5%	3.8%	1.1%	0.2%	100.0%		
District 30									
Cherokee	934	171	139	109	111	18	1,482	111.4	60.0
Clay	310	17	8	9	4	0	348	44.3	32.0
Graham	289	17	14	7	0	0	327	47.8	34.0
Haywood	2,422	75	86	77	17	0	2,677	40.5	23.0
Jackson	852	39	31	17	7	0	946	39.9	21.0
Macon	556	36	22	17	20	9	660	73.9	28.0
Swain	570	32	24	9	2	0	637	43.4	30.0
District Totals	5,933	387	324	245	161	27	7,077	59.2	30.0
% of Total	83.8%	5.5%	4.6%	3.5%	2.3%	0.4%	100.0%		
State Totals	412,123	28,096	26,860	24,593	7,249	1,608	500,529	59.1	30.0
% of Total	82.3%	5.6%	5.4%	4.9%	1.4%	0.3%	100.0%		

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District 1				
Camden	685	554	99	653
Chowan	1,406	1,181	115	1,296
Currituck	2,077	1,746	61	1,807
Dare	7,253	6,055	1,029	7,084
Gates	1,100	842	214	1,056
Pasquotank	1,791	1,447	284	1,731
Perquimans	1,400	1,151	188	1,339
District Totals	15,712	12,976	1,990	14,966
District 2				
Beaufort	6,045	4,284	1,460	5,744
Hyde	1,031	642	333	975
Martin	4,130	2,743	992	3,735
Tyrrell	2,377	1,814	329	2,143
Washington	1,235	941	302	1,243
District Totals	14,818	10,424	3,416	13,840
District 3				
Carteret	7,290	5,405	1,789	7,194
Craven	7,994	5,590	2,376	7,966
Pamlico	869	536	323	859
Pitt	11,270	6,575	4,640	11,215
District Totals	27,423	18,106	9,128	27,234
District 4				
Duplin	3,152	2,262	490	2,752
Jones	1,362	747	407	1,154
Onslow	8,836	5,862	2,957	8,819
Sampson	5,612	3,936	1,851	5,787
District Totals	18,962	12,807	5,705	18,512
District 5				
New Hanover	12,901	7,261	5,165	12,426
Pender	2,759	1,644	908	2,552
District Totals	15,660	8,905	6,073	14,978
District 6				
Bertie	2,297	1,712	621	2,333
Halifax	8,881	6,383	2,439	8,822
Hertford	2,561	1,970	591	2,561
Northampton	4,917	3,732	1,430	5,162
District Totals	18,656	13,797	5,081	18,878
District 7				
Edgecombe	5,696	4,264	1,340	5,604
Nash	6,441	5,095	1,404	6,499
Wilson	5,954	4,445	1,212	5,657
District Totals	18,091	13,804	3,956	17,760
District 8				
Greene	1,503	904	554	1,458
Lenoir	6,147	3,673	2,285	5,958
Wayne	6,447	3,831	2,455	6,286
District Totals	14,097	8,408	5,294	13,702

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District 9				
Franklin	2,249	1,325	798	2,123
Granville	3,161	2,228	854	3,082
Person	2,397	1,571	775	2,346
Vance	3,377	2,081	1,114	3,195
Warren	1,987	1,298	562	1,860
District Totals	13,171	8,503	4,103	12,606
District 10				
Wake	42,173	22,944	19,804	42,748
District 11				
Harnett	4,988	3,272	1,464	4,736
Johnston	7,133	4,301	2,951	7,252
Lee	3,336	2,227	894	3,121
District Totals	15,457	9,800	5,309	15,109
District 12				
Cumberland	25,516	16,835	8,492	25,327
Hoke	2,880	2,172	625	2,797
District Totals	28,396	19,007	9,117	28,124
District 13				
Bladen	3,346	2,218	1,073	3,291
Brunswick	4,475	3,886	2,003	5,889
Columbus	4,177	2,547	1,557	4,104
District Totals	11,998	8,651	4,633	13,284
District 14				
Durham	18,339	11,628	5,875	17,503
District 15A				
Alamance	10,340	6,216	3,669	9,885
District 15B				
Chatham	5,306	3,334	1,775	5,109
Orange	8,046	4,834	2,709	7,543
District Totals	13,352	8,168	4,484	12,652
District 16				
Robeson	8,423	6,358	1,654	8,012
Scotland	2,599	2,159	706	2,865
District Totals	11,022	8,517	2,360	10,877
District 17A				
Caswell	2,305	1,640	638	2,278
Rockingham	7,742	5,579	1,917	7,496
District Totals	10,047	7,219	2,555	9,774
District 17B				
Stokes	2,170	1,602	622	2,224
Surry	4,669	3,283	1,240	4,523
District Totals	6,839	4,885	1,862	6,747

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District 18				
Guilford	45,680	24,297	17,926	42,223
District 19A				
Cabarrus	7,893	5,614	2,281	7,895
Rowan	6,715	4,589	1,898	6,487
District Totals	14,608	10,203	4,179	14,382
District 19B				
Montgomery	1,920	1,388	638	2,026
Randolph	9,723	6,206	2,756	8,962
District Totals	11,643	7,594	3,394	10,988
District 20				
Anson	3,510	2,145	1,016	3,161
Moore	5,314	3,167	1,758	4,925
Richmond	4,127	2,863	910	3,773
Stanly	3,216	2,274	838	3,112
Union	6,523	4,529	1,502	6,031
District Totals	22,690	14,978	6,024	21,002
District 21				
Forsyth	23,967	13,472	10,114	23,586
District 22				
Alexander	1,621	1,022	611	1,633
Davidson	6,972	4,435	2,265	6,700
Davie	2,479	1,569	508	2,077
Iredell	9,480	6,056	3,043	9,099
District Totals	20,552	13,082	6,427	19,509
District 23				
Alleghany	1,092	743	261	1,004
Ashe	1,731	1,266	389	1,655
Wilkes	3,620	2,617	943	3,560
Yadkin	2,530	1,727	717	2,444
District Totals	8,973	6,353	2,310	8,663
District 24				
Avery	1,915	1,431	236	1,667
Madison	1,491	1,229	234	1,463
Mitchell	669	444	192	636
Watauga	2,840	2,208	613	2,821
Yancey	1,091	828	94	922
District Totals	8,006	6,140	1,369	7,509
District 25				
Burke	6,530	4,388	2,121	6,509
Caldwell	4,245	2,575	1,413	3,988
Catawba	10,960	7,474	3,469	10,943
District Totals	21,735	14,437	7,003	21,440
District 26				
Mecklenburg	42,825	31,868	10,482	42,350

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District 27A				
Gaston	12,536	8,211	3,909	12,120
District 27B				
Cleveland	7,393	5,608	1,492	7,100
Lincoln	3,243	2,181	997	3,178
District Totals	10,636	7,789	2,489	10,278
District 28				
Buncombe	11,743	9,779	1,540	11,319
District 29				
Henderson	5,101	4,290	626	4,916
McDowell	3,476	2,818	477	3,295
Polk	1,622	1,343	212	1,555
Rutherford	3,746	2,840	939	3,779
Transylvania	1,229	941	191	1,132
District Totals	15,174	12,232	2,445	14,677
District 30				
Cherokee	2,395	1,957	500	2,457
Clay	577	450	95	545
Graham	419	309	43	352
Haywood	4,194	3,399	551	3,950
Jackson	2,146	1,755	335	2,090
Macon	1,634	1,862	226	2,088
Swain	2,159	1,544	281	1,825
District Totals	13,524	11,276	2,031	13,307
State Totals	608,845	406,476	186,056	592,532